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Y. M. C. A. MEETING.

Members of the Board of Directors Discuss the Association Work.

The members of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. held a meeting Monday evening at the rooms of the association. Nine members were present. Three vacancies were filled by T. C. McIntyre, Milton Johnson, Jr., and J. W. Carter. A report of the attendance of the members for the past month made the following showing: Attendance at men's meetings 115, at Bible classes 61, gymnasium class 210, at baths 251, at the reception 150, total attendance for all purposes 1400. There were two conversions, two requests for prayer and employment found for two.

The members of the board were pleased with the results of the work and the fact that new life has been introduced in the association. It is hoped to get a membership of 500. When all who have promised to join are taken in there will be about 350 members.

This evening T. C. McIntyre will meet with the committee having in charge the New Year's reception and further arrangements will be made for that event.

Hal Hotelling, the physical instructor, will tonight organize the gymnasium classes.

THE STAGE.

SULLIVAN SHOW TONIGHT.

John L. Sullivan's Comedy and Big Vaudeville company will appear at the Powers Grand tonight. The company has been doing a phenomenal business and the press criticisms from the different cities in which the company has appeared have been most flattering. Of course Sullivan has been given a big reception everywhere but the company has made a big reputation and the entertainment has pleased everyone who has witnessed it. The closing portion of the program is Scenes in a Gymnasium, showing the different apparatus and how such are used by the different fighters when training for a contest. To make this scene more novel and interesting the ex-champion heavy weight of America, Jake Kilrain, has been engaged. Kilrain is a fighter of the old school and like the great John L. was never afraid to contest for pugilistic honors. Messrs. Sullivan and Kilrain will illustrate blows and locks used by various fighters, will also show how fights are governed and what rules predominate during a contest governed by London prize ring rules, where battles in those days were fought upon the od and when bare knuckles were used instead of gloves. They will close with a three-round scientific sparring exhibition.

KELCEY-SHANNON.

An exceptional degree of interest is already manifested in the engagement of the Kelcey-Shannon company, headed by Mr. Herbert Kelcey and Miss Effie Shannon at the Powers opera house next Friday night in Clyde Fitch's successful new society drama "The Moth and the Flame." The play's success in other cities has been most complete, and it has been accepted as one of the best efforts from the pen of the brilliant young American dramatist. The production is entirely new. The company is a most excellent one, and has been favorably compared with the very best stock companies. Mr. Kelcey and Miss Shannon's merits are too well known in Decatur to require more than passing notice at this time.

RUBE BAND.

There are many imitators of Mr. J. C. Lewis' novel and unique method of heralding the advent of Si Plunkard in each city he appears, but he presents the only burlesque farmer street parade which is well worth going miles to see. This novel parade will be seen here with the company on Saturday, December 17, and is funnier than a circus.

C. E. Officers.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church has elected the following officers:

President—Miss Jennie Bishop.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Ella Lindsey.

Recording Secretary—Miss Nina Buckmaster.

Treasurer—Samuel McCane.

Missionary Treasurer and Librarian—John Brockway.

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WILL KENT TO CLAIM INSANITY.

Murderer's Plea to Escape the Halter.

FUGITIVE AT SHAWNEETOWN

Officers Believe the Young Man Is in Hiding, but Will Eventually Surrender—Letter From a Lawyer.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., Dec. 14.—The sheriff of this county has received information that leads him to believe that Will Kent, the murderer of Noble Kent, is hiding in southern Illinois, in the vicinity of Shawneetown. The State Judge H. H. Cowen received from Kent some days after the murder was mailed on a Louisville and Nashville train. Judge Cowen admits receiving the letter, in which the murderer asks that the matter be kept out of the courts. A Springfield jeweler named Hosser says he saw Will Kent the Sunday morning after the tragedy on a St. Louis, Peoria and Northern train, en route to St. Louis. Hosser knew Kent, having attended a business college with him. Not being aware of the tragedy he attached no importance to the meeting until afterward.

The sheriff received a letter from Joe L. Howell, a Shawneetown attorney, which contains valuable information. Howell described Kent and his peculiarities minutely. He saw him on a Louisville and Nashville train, on the branch road that leads down to Shawneetown from McLeansboro. Kent was intoxicated, talked freely and displayed a roll of bills. He made rambling admissions which attracted the attention of the passengers, leading them to believe he was a fugitive from justice. The man got off the train at Shawneetown, and has been seen there several times since. Considerable importance is attached to this letter of Howell, as the writer asks for a description of the man and a picture, and as there is no reward offered the man could have had no other motive. It is known that Kent escaped on a bicycle and then took a train. It is believed here by close friends of the family that Kent will give himself up if not captured soon, and plead insanity. This information comes from a legal source, but the authority can not be given. The insanity plea could be worked w... as the bullet fired by Noble is lodged at the base of his brain.

PEACE TREATY TIP

Brief Outline of the Seventeen Articles in the Important Document.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The following in brief are the provisions of the 17 articles of the treaty of peace:

Article 1 provides for the relinquishment of Cuba.

Article 2 provides for the cession of Porto Rico.

Article 3 provides for the cession of the Philippines for $20,000,000 as compensation.

Article 4 embraces the plans for the cession of the Philippines, including the return of Spanish prisoners in the hands of the Tagalos.

Article 5 deals with the cession of barracks, war materials, arms, stores, buildings and all property pertaining to the Spanish administration in the Philippines.

Article 6 is a renunciation by both nations of their respective claims against each other and the citizens of each other.

Article 7 grants to Spanish trade and shipping in the Philippines the same treatment as American trade and shipping for a period of 10 years.

Article 8 provides for the release of all prisoners of war held by Spain and of all prisoners held by her for political offenses committed in the colonies acquired by the United States.

Article 9 guarantees the legal rights of Spaniards remaining in Cuba.

Article 10 establishes the religious freedom of the Philippines and guarantees to all churches equal rights.

Article 11 provides for the composition of courts and other tribunals in Porto Rico and Cuba.

Article 12 provides for the administration of justice in Porto Rico and Cuba.

Article 13 provides for the continuance for five years of Spanish copyrights in the ceded territories, giving Spanish books admittance free of duty.

Article 14 provides for the establishment of consulates by Spain in the ceded territories.

Article 15 grants to Spanish commerce in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines the same treatment as to Americans for 10 years, Spanish shipping to be treated as coasting vessels.

Article 16 stipulates that the obligations of the United States to Spanish citizens and property in Cuba shall terminate with the withdrawal of the United States authorities from the island.

Article 17 provides that the treaty must be ratified within six months from the date of signing by the respective governments in order to be binding.

DARK MURDER MYSTERY AGAIN

Developements in the Case of Mrs. Nellie Horne.

ARREST OF HARDY SHEFFIELD

He is Now in the County Jail at Hot Springs, Ark.—Human Bones Found in an Obscure House.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., Dec. 14.—Gradually the mystery surrounding the disappearance several weeks ago of Mrs. Nellie J. Horne, a beautiful young woman who was visiting this resort, and whom the authorities believed was murdered by young Hardy Sheffield and robbed of her money, is being cleared up, and by tonight Sheriff Williams hopes to have evidence to prove one of the most heartless crimes ever committed in this vicinity, that by which Mrs. Horne lost her life. Hardy Sheffield is in jail charged with murder. The sheriff returned to the city today from the home of Sheffield's brother in Hot Springs county, where it was reported the body of Mrs. Horne had been found. He brought with him a sack containing growsome evidence that the human body had been cremated piece by piece in the Sheffield house. The sack contained human bones, ashes and other articles recovered from the fire place in the Sheffield house. Experts are at work making a scientific examination of these ghastly remains and it is already established that the bones are those of a human being. Sheffield's brother, in whose house the crime is supposed to have been committed, was brought to Hot Springs by the sheriff and placed in jail, as were also several others, who are supposed to be accessories to the crime. Some startling developments are expected today.

CURFEW AT ALTON

Action of City Council—Thanks by the W. C. T. U.

ALTON, ILL., Dec. 14.—The city council last evening unanimously adopted resolutions for a curfew ordinance and for an ordinance placing a heavy license on retail dealers who sell cigarettes. A delegation from the W. C. T. U. thanked the councilmen in the name of the fathers and mothers.

THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Illinois: Partly cloudy with rising temperature tonight and Thursday, with possibly snow flurries in the extreme north tonight; increasing southern winds.

CHEERS IN THE SOUTH FOR THE PRESIDENT

Arrival of McKinley and Party at the Atlanta Peace Jubilee.

Southerners Extend Marked Courtesies to the Distinguished Visitors—Guns Boom the Presidential Salute—The President at the State Capitol.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 14.—According to schedule and after a pleasant trip the presidential party arrived at Atlanta this morning. The morning was crisp and colder than anticipated. The president breakfasted with Mrs. McKinley in their own car, while the cabinet officers and others went into the dining car.

At Gainsville, where a short stop was made 200 persons were at the station and inspected the train with curiosity. From there to Atlanta there was an occasional welcome cheer, but there was nothing in the nature of a demonstration in the union depot in Atlanta. A large crowd was present and a rousing cheer went up, as the train came to a standstill.

General Joe Wheeler was the first to alight. Strong cheering greeted the distinguished Alabamian, as accompanied by his daughter and members of the reception committee, he made his way to a carriage. When the president appeared on the rear platform of his car a hearty cheer was given him, breaking forth with renewed vigor when Mrs. McKinley came out. The welcome to the members of the cabinet was very cordial. The party was escorted to the Kimball house.

At 10 a. m. the men of the presidential party took luncheon in the chief executive's apartments, while the ladies were guests of the ladies jubilee committee at breakfast in the ladies ordinary.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the party were assigned carriages and escorted by mounted policemen and by Governor Candler and staff, started for the capitol. Guns boomed the presidential salute as the chief executive ascended the steps of the capitol. At the entrance the president was met by the committee and conducted to the governor's parlor. Here he was received by Governor Candler and the state officials, after which the general assembly in joint session received the president.

The prettiest and most novel event of the day in Atlanta was the first floral parade. All the prominent people of the city took part. Carriages of every kind were in line, all elaborately decorated. The parade formed on Trinity avenue and passed through the business portion of the city, thence out Peach street, which was lined with thousands of school children waving many flags. The president headed the parade to Ponce de Leon avenue, where he entered the reivewing stand and responded to salutes from the passing vehicles. The party then returned to the Kimball hotel and spent the afternoon in retirement.

There will be a reception by the Capital City club tonight.

MARRIED AT NOON

Union of Miss Mueller and Frank Cruikshank

AT THE HOME OF THE BRIDE

Ceremony Spoken by Dr. Penhallegon of the Presbyterian Church—Couple Will Reside at Atlanta, Ga.

A pretty affair of the day in Decatur was the wedding of Miss Ledah Mueller and Frank Cruikshank of Atlanta, Ga., which was celebrated at high noon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mueller of 151 West Wood street. Rev. Dr. Penhallegon of the First Presbyterian church performed the ceremony in the presence of 50 guests. The bridal party stood under a canopy of evergreen and holly which was placed before a large mirror in the front parlor. On either side palms were banked high and the mirrow was framed in the ropes of holly sprays. The rooms of the house were profusely decorated with holly, evergreen and tropical plants. In the dining room bride's roses predominated.

The bride wore a traveling dress of dark red broadcloth, with a vest and high collar of white satin. The suit was finished with braidings of gold galoon.

The ceremony was followed by a wedding breakfast served by Mrs. Fanny Sedgwick. The opera house orchestra rendered an appropriate program. The bride is a young woman who is held in highest esteem by all who know her. She is well advanced in the study of music, having been a pupil of Emil Sieberling of Chicago. Mr. Cruikshank is connected with the city water works department of Altanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Cruikshank left this afternoon for Chicago and from there will go to Atlanta, where they will reside.

Guests from out of the city who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Arnold and son Adolph, Mrs. Henry Mueller, Miss Carrie Burke, all of Chicago.

WEDDING GIFTS.

The wedding gifts were numerous and beautiful, being chiefly of cut glass, silver and art pottery. One of the handsomest was a statuette in marble, the gift of Mrs. Arnold of Chicago.

SUICIDE AT LAST

A Woman Famous in Southern Illinois Takes Her Own Life.

JONESBORO, ILL., Dec. 14.—Mrs. George Tanner, wife of the hotelkeeper who recently killed himself, Tuesday ended her own life with dose of poison. In a letter written after taking the poison the woman says she couldn't live without her husband. November 25, 1892, Mrs. Tanner, whose maiden name was Kittie May Sams, shot and killed Capt. Ranson Sampson, a river man, in the Planters' House at Cairo, Ill. She put two bullets into his bride of but a few weeks, then attempted suicide with the same pistol. She and the bride, who came from Hickman, Ky., recovered. Miss Sams was tried and acquitted on the charge of murder. Her plea was that Captain Sampson had promised to marry her, but threw her over for the Kentucky girl.

A SENSITIVE KING

Arrest of an American for Calling the Emperor a "Sheep Head."

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The trial of Frank Knaak of New York, charged with referring to Emperor William as a "sheep head," has been fixed for December 20. He is still in prison, bail being refused, and the United States embassy being unable to interfere. The defense will plead intoxication.

SULLIVAN AND KILRAIN

Visited With Peter Washer Last Night After the Performance.

John L. Sullivan and Jake Kilrain, who appeared at the Grand opera house last evening, visited for several hours after the performance with Peter Washer at Halpin's saloon. Washer, when he lived at Boston, was well acquainted with Kilrain. He played ball and skated with him many times and know the pugilist quite well. Kilrain and Sullivan therefore called to see Mr. Washer, together with several of the men of the company and Mr. Sullivan ordered a game supper.

In speaking of Corbett, Fitzsimmons and Sharkey Sullivan was of the opinion that the latter was the best man of the three. He said that he was young and was willing to learn and that he had a promising future. He also spoke well of McCoy and said he was a good man. Sullivan thought that if the Corbett-Sharkey fight had been allowed to go on that Sharkey would undoubtedly have whipped Corbett.

The show at the Grand was fairly well attended and the performance was varied and entertaining.

CONGRESS

The Pension Bill and the Lodge Immigration Measure in the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—In the House the pension appropriation bill was reported and will be called up tomorrow.

An effort was made to get up the Lodge immigration bill which was to be passed at the last session, but which has been lying on the table, but a question of consideration was made against it and the House declined to consider it by a vote of 101 to 101.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT.

One of the Horses was Killed and the Other was Badly Injured.

A bad runaway occurred Tuesday morning at the brick culvert on the Springfield road about a mile and a half west of the city. C. G. Brock and son, who live near Niantic, were driving in a wagon. A team belonging to a man named Smith ran away and crashed into the Brock wagon throwing it from the culvert. Mr. Brock and his son took refuge under the culvert and escaped injury, but one of their horses was killed and the other badly injured.

Rev. Bowyer President.

The Baptist Ministerial association of central Illinois met at the Central Baptist church at Springfield on Wednesday and elected the officers for the coming year as follows:

President—Rev. S. H. Bowyer of Decatur.

Vice President—C. V. Greenwood of Taylorville.

Secretary and Treasurer—J. B. Rogers of Moweaqua.

The next meeting will be held at Springfield on Monday, January 9. Rev. Horace W. Tilden will read a paper on "Bible Criticism."

SONS OF VETERANS

Held a Meeting Tuesday Night and Elected Officers—Leads in the State.

The members of the local camp of Sons of Veterans held a meeting Tuesday night and elected the following officers:

Captain—J. Smith.

First Lieutenant—G. Stoy.

Second Lieutenant—A. Reynolds.

Camp Council—J. W. Smith, W. E. Bear and John Allen.

Delegate to Danville Convention—J. M. Shultz.

Alternate—W. E. Bear.

Fred Jostes of Macon, was present and inspected the local camp and Past Captain J. M. Wood was selected to install the officers the first meeting in January. The report of William Church, the Illinois division commander, shows that Decatur leads in the average of membershsip and the work done.

COLD IN THE WEST.

SPRINGER, N. M., Dec. 14.—It was 11 degrees below zero at 7 a. m. today.

Postponed.

The meeting of the Young People's Temperance union, which was announced for last evening at the Christian tabernacle was postponed on account of the revivals at the different churches of the city. The meeting will be held at the Cumberland Presbyterian church on next Tuesday evening.

Fight at Cake Walk.

A fight occurred at the ball and cake walk which took place last evening at the Abbott hall. Today a young man named Al Minor had his eye bandaged up and said that Chalres Wilson, another colored man, hit him with a pair of knucks. He swore out a warrant against Wilson.

"The stars are peeping," says a poet. Well, that's what the peepholes in the drop curtain is for.

MERRIMAC HEROES ABROAD

Lieut. Hobson With the President at Atlanta.

CHEERS, KISSES AND BANQUET

Mate Deignan Gets a Send-Off at Stuart, Iowa, on His Way to Join the Resolute for Active Duty.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 14.—Lieutenant Richmond Pearson Hobson, who reached here last night on his way to Altanta, was given a royal reception in the capitol building, where he was greeted by the governor and a committee of the general assembly. A tremendous crowd was present, and after Hobson had shaken hands with nearly every visitor he made a short but telling address. After his speech there was another reception in the city council chamber, followed by a banquet arranged by several of Lieutenant Hobson's personal friends.

KISSES FOR DEIGNAN.

DES MOINES, Dec. 14.—The L. L. G. club of Stuart, Iowa, has kissed Chief Boatswain's Mate Osborne W. Deignan of Merrimac fame again. This time the osculation took place at the depot, not in the front yard at Deignan's home, as when he arrived there some weeks ago. He had not anticipated such a sudden return to the Resolute, but last evening received orders to return at once.

During all of his visit at Stuart he has been the same bashful young man as ever and Stuart people are, if anything, more in love with him than ever, at least the girls are, and if not all of them, one, the vice president, Miss Veronica Ryan. She is Deignan's sweetheart.

As he stood on the steps of the train just about to take him away again she gave him a lover's kiss before the girls. But they could not be outdone and one by one again gave him the kiss of hero worshipers.

COLLIER TO HANG

Supersedeas Denied—Carter Martin Fears the Gallows.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Dec. 14.—A petition was filed in the supreme court this morning for a supersedeas in the case of Carter Martin of Mattoon, under sentence to be hanged at Charleston on Friday. The court denied a supersedeas in the case of Richard Collier, sentenced to hang on Friday at Urbana.

NO PROSECUTION.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The treasury officials have declined to prosecute Kate Lyon and Mrs. Mills, the Christian scientists, for alleged unlawful conduct in connection with the death of Harold Frederic, the American newspaper correspondent, and the defendants have been discharged.

DEMOCRATS AT BOSTON.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 14.—Returns from the city elections are very slow coming in. From the figures at hand it is assured that the Democrats have elected street commissioners, both members of the board of appointment, a majoirty of aldermen and most of the school committees.

May be Chief Surgeon.

It is understood that Dr. James L. Bevans may be made chief surgeon of the 5th regiment of Illinois National Guard in place of Major Keeley, who resigned. If he receives the promotion it will not interfere with his present position as contract surgeon. Dr. Bevans has been in the city visiting his family for several days past, but left last night for his post at Fort Thomas, Ky. Mrs. Bevans will join him in about a week.

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THE PRESIDENT TO THE SOUTH

Summary of McKinley's Speech To-Day at Atlanta, Ga.

Before the Members of the Senate and Legislature--Plea for Wise, United and Brave Action in the Interest of America.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 14.—In his speech to the Georgia legislature today President McKinley said that sectional lines no longer marred the map of the United States, sectional feeling no longer holds the love we bear each other. Fraternity is the national anthem, sung by the chorus of 45 states, and in our territories at home and beyond the seas. The old flag again waves over the United States in peace, with new glories which your sons and ours have this year added to its sacred folds. What cause we have for rejoicing is saddened only by the fact that so many of our brave men fell on the field, or sickened and died from hardships and exposure, others returning home, bringing wounds and disease from which they will long suffer. The memory of the dead will be a precious legacy, the disabled will be the nation's care. The nation which cares for its disabled soldiers as we have always done will love to act for its defense. The national cemeteries for those who fell in battle are proof that the dead as well as the living have our love. What an army of silent sentinels we have and with what loving care their graves are kept. Every soldier's grave made during our unfortunate civil war is a tribute to American valor. While when those graves were made we differed widely about the future of this government, the differences have long ago been settled by the arbitrament of arms, and the time now comes in the evolution of sentiment and feeling, under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with you in the care of the graves of the confederate soldiers. The cordial feeling now happily existing between the north and the south prompts this gracious act, and if it need further justification it has found it in the gallant loyalty to the union and the flag, so conspicuously shown in the year just passed by the sons and grandsons of these heroic dead. What a glorious future awaits us if unitedly, wisely and bravely we face the new problems pressing upon us, determined to solve them for the right and for humanity."

EXPERT WITNESS

Tells About Handwriting in Letters

IN MERRITT VS WHEELER CASE

Compares the Various Words and Letters in the Two Documents Introduced as Evidence.

In the circuit court today the jury is hearing evidence in the damage suit of Merritt vs. Wheeler, in which the defendant is charged with having written obscene letters to the wife of the plaintiff. When court convened this morning George Goodpasture, who on Tuesday testified to the finding of one of the letters, was cross examined. Warren A. Draper of Chicago, an expert in examining disputed handwriting, was put on the stand by the prosecution. The letters which were written to the wife of the plaintiff had been examined by the expert and he told the jury what he had found. He explained how various letters and words in the two documents were alike and stated that the two letters were undoubtedly written by the same persons. An effort was made to introduce as evidence a sample of the handwriting of the defendant, but this was not allowed. This afternoon the expert continued with his testimony.

POOR OLD COLUMBUS

Mob of Women at Grenada Vent Their Anger by Stoning a Statue.

MADRID, Dec. 14.—A mob of women at Grenada, considering the discovery of America the principal cause of Spain's misfortunes, today stoned the statue of Columbus.

The Fraternal Army of America will give an entertainment and dance at K. P. hall in Powers block this evening. Admission 10 cents.

A cubic foot of newly fallen snow weighs five pounds and a half and has 12 times the bulk of an equal weight of water.

Dinner, supper and all day sale at First Presbyterian church, Saturday, December 17. Dinner 11 to 2, supper 5 to 7.—14-d3t

The hunter who is chased by a bear is lucky if he comes out ahead of the game.

Special invitation extended to dancing clubs to attend the dance given by the Fraternal Army of America at K. of P. hall in Powers block this evening.

The flesh of alligators tastes very similar to veal, and is regarded as a delicacy by many people in India.

SOLDIERS DYING

At Manila, Says Miss Schaefer, For Want of Proper Nourishment.

HONOLULU, Dec. 7, via San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The transport Scandia has arrived from Manila on her way to the United States. Among the passengers is Miss Schaefer, the Red Cross nurse from Honolulu, who reached Manila at the end of September. She has given out a long statement for publication in which she says: "Scores of soldiers are dying in the hospitals at Manila, just for the want of proper nourishment, Utter woe in the hospitals, the helplessness of the men, men as bright and noble as God ever made, given up to death, hoping for it, seeking and taking poison, doing anything to end the despair that comes upon them. No wonder there are six or seven funerals a day. No wonder the dead house is never empty. And outside of the hospitals and even in it, there is such indifference. I do not mean the attendants at the hospitals are careless or indifferent, many trying to do their best, but there is so much inexperience, so many clogs to those who would do much."

THE LAPINER KID.

Still Little Gerald is Kept in Hiding—He May be Dead.

Occasionally Decatur people inquire about the Chicago mystery connected with the disappearance of little Gerald Lapiner, son of Louis Lapiner, but nothing satisfactory is secured. The Chicago Times-Herald of today says: "Another clew to the missing Gerald Lapiner has proved to be without foundation. Some one informed the Lapiner family that a new neighbor had moved into the house at Forty-eighth street and Prairie avenue with a "boy mystery" hid somewhere which would some day be worth lots of money. Investigation by Detective John Broderick proved the suspicion unfounded. Mrs. Lapiner has received a brutal letter from an unknown source demanding $500 for Gerald Lapiner. Failure to comply with the demand was to be punished by the death of the boy, and one of his ears, so the letter stated, would be sent as evidence. Detective Broderick sent a decoy letter through the mail, but it remains uncalled for."

Holiday Rates.

The P. D. and E. Ry. will sell tickets between points on its line on December 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31 and January 1, at rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip Tickets god returning until January 3. Call on your ticket agent for particulars as to territory—2-28d

Mrs. Vashti Jones has reorganized our progressive euchre club.

Is it more select now?

Yes; she left out the women who always win prizes.

A little child can discover more stray sunbeams than a grown person can.

GRAND JURORS

Selected by Supervisors This Afternoon.

JUDGE VAIL MADE REQUESTS

Which Were Granted by the Board—Court Stenographer Will Have a Separate Office—About Appointing Deputies.

The next grand jury will be composed of the following, who were selected by the board of supervisors this afternoon:

Decatur—John Stabler, George Martin, Albert Martin, Alva Nickens.
Austin—Roy James.
Blue Mound—John S. Ritter.
Friends Creek—Fred Schwab, Sr.
Harristown—M. H. Peck.
Hickory Point—P. B. Vance.
Illini—Charles Albert.
Long Creek—A. Perkins, Charles Baker.
Maroa—D. H. Glasford, C. O. Balard..
Milam—David Nihizer.
Mt. Zion—William Fletcher.
Niantic—William Erisman.
Oakley—A. J. Fisher.
Pleasant View—C. W. Midcalf.
South Macon—T. J. Wright, William E. Moser.
South Wheatland—John Cornthwait.
Whitmore—J. H. Moothart

JUDGE VAIL.

Judge Vail appeared before the board and made several requests in regard to repairing the windows in the court house, setting aside a separate room for the court stenographer and in regard to the appointment of bailiffs to assist the sheriff. The question of fixing the windows was referred to the public building committee and the judge was allowed to set aside the consulting room adjoining his office for the use of the stenographer and the matter of furnishing the room was referred to the public building committee.

The matter of apointing bailiffs to assist the sheriff was left to the discretion of the judge with instructions to appoint bailiffs when he needed them.

ELECTION CLAIMS.

The election claims were read and the total was $2367.62.

FORENOON SESSION.

The board of supervisors met this forenoon at 10 o'clock and all members were present except Supervisors Bean, Gorin and Hockaday. It was decided to reconsider the matter of appointing a committee of one to learn amount Macon county owes on old bonds and Charles H. Patterson and F. S Dodd were appointed to look after the matter.

Attorney W. C. Outten addressed the board in regard to the request of several property owners asking the board to grant a strip of land next to the Central block. The matter was referred to the judiciary committee.

The matter of renovating the residence portion of the jail was left with the public building committee with power to act. The contract to do the work was let to Milton Bivans, his bid being $39.75. There were nine other bidders. At noon the board adjourned until 1.30 p. m.

GRIEF FOR SPAIN

The Filipinos Demand Twenty Million Dollars as Ransom.

MADRID, Dec. 14.—There is great irritation here at the continued refusal of the Filipinos to release Spanish prisoners, said to number nearly ten thousand. The insurgents now demand that Spain shall pay as ransom the $20,000,000 she is to receive from the United States.

Mrs. Hill's home made candies at Presbyterian sale Saturday.—14-d3t

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Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hand hemstitched.

At 15c Each

Ladies' Soft Bleached Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs.
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Gents' Japonet Hand'fs in new designs at 12½c.
Gents' Fine Linen Hemstitched Handk'fs at 15c.
Gents' Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and hand embroidered Initial, at 25c.
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GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Allen, Tom	Parker, Arthur
Ballou, J. W.	Patch, J.
Beadles, J.	Patton, Rev. R. S.
Biddle, D.	Randolph, C. E.
Boyington, A. M.	Reeves, A. H.
Brennen, Thos.	Riley, John
Cross, Samuel	Schurman, O. L.
Davidson, Calif	Smith, Wm.
Duncan, Robert	Strew, Thos. M.
Ellis, Chas. H.	Strouse, Eugene
Hahn, J. S	Sweeney, J. S.
Hall, Frank	Tinkham, Frank
Mange, Emil	Veech, Mr.(N. Main)
Mead, Geo. W., Jr.	Ward, Will
Mills, Albert	White, N,
Nelson, Geo. W.	Zandall, Harry

LADIES' LIST.

Anderson, Alice	Snyder; Mrs. Eug.
Dunkel, Pet	Wallis, Lou
Huston, Maggie	Weire, Minnie
Mabry, Martha	Williams, Lulu
Randler, Mary	Wimmer, Laura
Smith, Margaretha	Wright, Mamie

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Into Grape Sugar as Nature Does It.

Starch (a Carbo-hydrate) is passed out of the stomach into the duodenum or second stomach and there treated by the pancreatic juices, when in time a microscopic fungi is grown from a part of the grain, (if that has been eaten,) and there elements with moisture, heat and time, transform the starch into grape-sugar, which is the first act of digestion.

The processes are duplicated in an artificial or mechanical way in the manufacture of Grape-Nuts, the new breakfast food made by the Postum Cereal Co., Lim., of Battle Creek, Mich.

In this food one finds the delicate, sweet taste of grape-sugar and when eaten it will be found to quickly digest and fatten and strengthen the entire body.

LELAND STANFORD,

chief of the western division of the great railroad system, was a man whose instincts were as noble as his purpose was strong and masterful. He left behind him a reputation that can never perish while California endures. Energy and singleness of purpose ever meets its just reward. Thus C. L. Griswold & Co. are triumphing in their line of Buck's Steel Ranges and Air-Blast Triumph Furnaces.

CORN HUSKING BEE.

A Party in the Country Given by William Black.

William Black of Milam township, Macon county, gave a corn husking bee to the Ladies' Aid society of Dalton City U. B. church Friday December 9, 1898. The sun rose in all its beauty and found Mr. Black's corn field full of men and teams, gathering the large ears of corn. The way the corn sounded on the bump boards and the yells that arose all over the field one would have thought that Buffalo Bill's wild west show was on a stampede. The day was a beautiful one for the occasion and all parties seemed to think it was good to be there. At noon a lot of hungry corn huskers went to the house and found the good ladies had prepared a bountiful dinner of everything that was good and all partook of the repast until the inner man was satisfied, when all returned to the field and finished the husking. Those who took an active part were as follows: Rev. George Carter, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roach, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Stover, Mr. and Mrs Glen Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Snyder, Henry Snyder, Harry Snyder, A. D. Troutman, Funk Wilson, Arthur Stover, Dale Beard, Nick Ankerman, Jim Reeder, Tom Wilson, Jr., Nepoleton Good, Vern Weaver, Charlie Bradley, Arthur Bradley, William Henson, Mrs. Manona Burges, Mrs. Jones, Miss Anna Hale, Miss Ethel Ward, Lulu Ward.

The amount gathered was 900 bushels, making the net proceeds amount to $18, which they will apply on the new U. B. church to be erected in Dalton City in the early spring. They expect to raise $150 on the new church, to which end they are working very hard, and now have about $55 in their treasury. Some of the ladies present believed in woman's rights and thought they had as much right to husk corn as any man. Any one who thinks women cannot husk corn we will be compelled to differ with, as we are ready to testify they can. All enjoyed themselves highly and went away feeling the day was well spent in a good cause. In the near future Mr. Black will give a free oyster supper to all who participated in the corn husking. Then, oh then, the way those oytsers will disappear, no one can tell but a hungry corn husker. Anyone wishing any corn husked may apply to the Ladies' Aid society of Dalton City, Ill., as they are a wide awake, energetic lot of women.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE EVENT.

One of the most brilliant and notable events of the new theatrical season will undoubtedly be the engagement of the Kelcey-Shannon company at the Powers opera house next Friday night when they will present Clyde Fitch's new society drama, "The Moth and the Flame," one of the most distinctive successes of last season. The play when originally produced last spring won the highest favor in other cities, on account of its striking originality, the unique quality of its incidents, its powerful contrasts of comedy and seriousness, and the brilliant character of its dialogue. It is in three acts, the scenes of which are laid among the "smart set" of New York's fashionable society. The first act occurs at a fancy children's dress party in the home of a wealthy New Yorker, and the second at a fashionable wedding in a New York church.

SI PLUNKARD.

The original Yankee comedy, J. C. Lewis' "Si Plunkard" company, will appear in this city at the Grand opera house for one night, Saturday, December 17. This is the eleventh annual tour of this famous comedy. This season the comedy "Si Plunkard," has been put forward with all new features, introducing a full working threshing machine, a thrilling railroad scene; a locomotive and a train of cars 150 feet in length, pass across the stage at lightning speed, presenting all the sensational effects of a train of cars. The county fair scene, a realistic scene at a county fair, and many other catchy novelties. "Si Plunkard" has been entirely re-written and re-constructed for the present season, presenting all new features and up to date novelties, and will be produced by a strong and efficient cast of comedy artists in an entirely new and novel line of specialties. During the action of the comedy the superb orchestra carried by the company will render the latest overtures during each act.

At Wesley This Evening.

The second missionary program of Wesley chapel will be given this evening. Subject, "India." The program follows:

Francis Xavier—Jacob Schminck.
William Carey—Harry H. Hanks.
Caste Life in India—Boyd Williams.
Woman's Life in India—Milton Johnson, Jr.
Alexander Duff—F. O. Turpin.
Religious Life in India—Glen Pope.
William Butler—Israel Cramer.
What We Are Doing In India—Alva Johnson.

Death of Mrs. Hill.

H. W. Hill on Tuesday received a telegram announcing the death of the wife of Judge Hill of Oxford, Miss. Judge Hill and family visited in Decatur or two months during last fall and are known to many in the city.

Over 1 000 persons die of delirium tremens in this country every year.

GYMNASIUM WORK

Classes Formed at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

ABOUT SIXTY YOUNG MEN

Have So Far Joined the Classes—Instructions Will be Carried On in a Systematic Manner.

At a meeting held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last night the new physical instructor, Hal Hotelling, organized two gymnasium classes. One is the senior class and the other the High school class. The former is made up of about 45 men and about 15 joined the High school class. There were about 30 visitors present besides those who joined. The seniors include the Y. M. C. A. members over the age of 16 years and the other class includes the boys of the association who attend the High school. Both classes will be much larger as there are many who will join soon. It is expected that it will be necessary to organize other classes. The seniors will meet on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings and the High school boys on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 3 until 4:30. There will be a junior class for boys from 12 to 16 years of age and a leaders class composed of those who are more advanced in the work and the members will assist in the instruction of the others.

All of the members will go through a physical examination by the instructor in order to ascertain just what muscles need development. If any heart trouble or other defects are found the young man will be sent to a physician and examined more thoroughly so that he will not be given any exercise which might not be beneficial. The physical instruction is free to all the members, and the fee is $5 per year, including all the privileges of the rooms, gymnasium and baths.

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Mrs. Genette Tyler, the teacher in physical culture in the Decatur public schools, has this week been visiting the different ward schools and has begun the work of physical instruction. The exercises to be used at first are those in breathing, sitting, standing, walking and also other exercises to bring into play the different muscles of the body. Later on it is likely that wands and other apparatus will be introduced. This afternoon Mrs. Tyler was at the High school in conference with the principals of the different city schools.

Hard Times Social.

The Ladies' Aid society and Sons of Veterans have issued invitations to a "Hard Time Soshul," which will be given in their hall, corner of Wood and Water streets on Thursday evening, November 15. The invitations are printed together with the regulations and rules, on brown paper and are worded in the "old tyme" style. The regulations are as follows:

Rule 1.—Every womun who kums must wair a kaliker dress & apern or somethin ekely propriate and leve there poughdie dorg ter hum.

Rule 2.—Awl men must wair there ole klose, and flannel shurt.

No gent with a biled shurt and standup koller will be aloud to kum onles he pays a fine uv 2 sents.

Everyone brakin these rules will be find.

There is going tew be butyful singin an playin by our good frenz.

Goode hulsome vittles will be furnisht to sech as will kum, consisting of Baked Beens, Brown Bred and Cauphy.

Chairty Bothby, Thankful Bumpus and his sister Pashunce, Hate Evil Playfair, Zerrubable Long and Barachia Short will kollect fines.

Good Concert.

The recital given by Mrs. M. K. Logan at the Cumberland Presbyterian church last evening was attended by a good sized audience which was much pleased with the numbers given and gave to each performer liberal applause. Mrs. Logan's numbers were especially well rendered and well received.

Dr. B. F. Slusher, late of St. Louis, has located in the suite of rooms No. 418 Powers building. He is a specialist in chronic diseases and rational therapeutics, and was a lecturer on osteology and syndesmology in the largest drug college in St. Louis. He is also vice president of the national college of Hygieo-Therapy.

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A POPULAR MISTAKE

Regarding Remedies for Dyspepsia and Indigestion.

The national disease of Americans is indigestion or in its chronic form, dyspepsia, and for the very reason that it is so common many people neglect taking proper treatment for what they consider trifling stomach trouble, when as a matter of fact, indigestion lays the foundation for many incurable diseases. No person with a vigorous, healthy stomach will fall a victim to consumption. Many kidney diseases and heart troubles date their beginning from poor digestion; thin, nervous people are really so because their stomachs are out of gear; weary, languid, faded out women owe their condition to imperfect indigestion.

When nearly every person you meet is afflicted with weak digestion it is not surprising that nearly every secret patent medicine on the market claims to be a cure for dyspepsia, as well as a score of other troubles, when in fact, as Dr. Werthier says, there is but one genuine dyspepsia cure which is perfectly safe and reliable, and moreover, this remedy is not a patent medicine, but it is a scientific combination of pure pepsin (free from animal matter), vegetable essences, fruit salts and bismuth. It is sold by druggists under name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. No extravagant claims are made for them, but for indigestion or any stomach trouble, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are far ahead of any remedy yet discovered. They act on the food eaten, no dieting is necessary, simply eat all the wholesome food you want and these tablets will digest it. A cure results, because all the stomach needs is a rest, which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets give by doing the work of digestion.

Druggists sell these tablets at 50 cts. per package. Circulars and testimonials sent free by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

New Year's Reception.

There will be a meeting at the Decatur club this evening to appoint the committees for arrangements for the coming New Year's reception which will be held on Monday evening, January 2. The reception will be on the usual elaborate scale and as usual will be the function of social importance ushering in the new year. The rooms will be handsomely decorated. The full opera house orchestra will play. There will be dancing and cards and other games and a supper by one of the best caterers of the city. The president, Mr. Maflit, has appointed Mr. W. H. Starr as chairman of the refreshment committee and Mr. Bernard Bradley as chairman of the decoration committee.

Foreclosure Sale.

Master in Chancery J. J. Finn on Tuesday held a foreclosure and partition sale. The latter was the case of Sarah A. Watts vs. Frank E. Wolverton et al. The property went at very low figures.

A tract containing about 40 acres in section 21, 16, 2 east, sold to Sarah A. Watts for $2780.

A lot 150 feet deep and with 60 feet frontage on West Decatur street, with a house, sold to E. W. Wood for $805.

Lot 15 in block 6 of Smith & Co.'s addition and lot 16 in the same block, sold to H. A. Wood for $400 and $325, respectively. There is a house on each lot. Lot 12 in the same block sold for $285.

The foreclosure sale was in the case of J. H. Cinley, executor, vs. James Millikin et al. Lot 6 in block 3 of Henry Prather's addition sold to the complainant for $3283.

Auction Sale.

Peake & Son to close out their entire stock of jewelry by January 1. This firm has been in business for 18 years and during the entire time have had the confidence of the people of Decatur and Macon county. This business will still be carried on and this sale is made for the purpose of dissolving partnership. Any goods bought at this sale will be guaranteed the same as if bought at private sale. You take no chances on buying goods at this auction as we want to retain your confidence. Sale begins Thursday at 2 p. m.—14-d1

With Mrs. Packard.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the First M. E. church held the regular meeting and tea at the home of Mrs. Silas Packard on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The program for the afternoon was in charge of Mrs. W. F. Martin There was a recitation by Lelah Randle and a paper on "Bethlehem," by Mrs. Scott and Christmas responsive readings by the members of the society. Tea was served at 6 o'clock and an informal program given during the evening. The meeting was largely attended and the mite fund generously enlarged.

Lodgers at Prison.

There does not seem to be as many tramps this year as there is usually at this time of year. The cold weather generally brings a large number to police headquarters each night and a place is given them to sleep, but so far the number has been comparatively small. Last night one of the men who slept at the city prison was quite sick and Dr. Wilhelmy was called to attend him.

Information.

Tuesday evening Deputy Sheriff Wilson arrested Ray Coble on a capias charging him with open lewdness. Information was filed against him in the county court.

Sudden love is the latest cured.—La Bruyere.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1893.

DUE TO PROTECTION.

It is true that the west saved Congress to the Republicans—to the cause of sound money and protection. It has sort of been accepted that this was due to a change of feeling in the west as to the free coinage of silver. While it is no doubt true that the middle west will never again give the vote it gave in 1896 for cheap money it appears that protection has had much more to do with the result last November than the money question. On this point the Chronicle of Spokane, Wash., says:

"There is something vastly more important to this section than free silver, even if this were not the conclusion that it is. That something is a proper protective tariff. Why was it that the west was so prostrated that it grasped at free silver or any other remedy that even promised a relief? Because Democratic policy had enacted free wool, and flocks of sheep that cover our mountains and feed in our valleys were a burden rather than a source of profit. Because Democratic policy had declared for free lumber, and the mighty wealth of our boundless forests was unclaimed and could not be realized. Because a Democratic policy had made lead free, and our richest mines lay idle since it would not pay to work them in competition with the cheap lead brought in from without. These three items of Democratic free trade meant depression and ruin to the west. And that section, in its misery and distress, knew not certainly what was its disease or what the remedy, but sought blindly for relief, from free silver or from anything that might remove the new conditions and restore the old. It distrusted both the old parties; and the Republicans, remembering the slump to free silver, distrusted it."

After a reference to the yielding to the illogical theory of "free raw materials" by low duties on raw materials, in some former tariff acts, but which the Dingley tariff ignores by adequate protection for raw materials, the same paper continues:

"Now comes the proof, and these states, supposed to be devoted to the worship of cheap money and Populism, wheel solidly into line. The answer to a Republican protective tariff, which for almost the first time, does full justice to the west and gives it its rightful place in the national economy, is a Republican victory in Washington, another in Oregon, another in California. It is the redemption of the Dakotas. It is success in Wyoming. It is such a tremendous gain in Idaho that the state is surely Republican at the next election. And all these gains are won not only without any compromise or concession to the cheap money sentiment, but on platforms that declare outright for the maintenance of the gold standard and against the free coinage of silver.

"This is the magnificent answer of the west to the offer by the Republican party of a scheme of protection that protects all adequately and equally. This is its answer to the charge that it was so infected with the cheap money virus that it would never return to sound national policy. This is its answer to the Democratic claim that the west had renounced its Republicanism permanently. And that answer is proclaimed at a time when it means most for the party and the country; at a time when it saves the House from a Democratic majority, and restores the United States Senate to Republican control. It is, in all ways, a most happy event for us. It comes at a time and in a manner when it will be most to our advantage. The west will be restored to its old seat of honor in the Republican party. It has shown that it needs but consideration and fair treatment to be loyal when others falter. It has proved that it can lay aside manfully an error and accept its party gospel from the lips of a majority, if only it believes that equal justice will be done to all and that it is not to be a sacrifice to older and more influential sections.

"The west knows now what it owes to the Republican party, and the Republican party knows what it owes to the west. There will be, we predict, no more misunderstandings between them; and henceforth there will be none more influential in the national councils of the party than the representatives of that section where the great, decisive and unexpected victories of this campaign were won against what appeared to be overwhelming odds."

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A Democratic paper with an inquiring turn of mind asks: "What are the Democrats at Washington going to do? Have they a party policy, a line of action thought out and accepted? Or will they content themselves with a guerrilla policy of harrying and nagging? These are hard queries to put to the Democracy. It has no line of action thought out and accepted." It had no such line when, in 1893, for the first time in a third of a century, it gained complete control of presidency, House and Senate simultaneously. At that time it shattered itself on silver and the tariff. It is ordinarily easy for a party in the minority, as the Democracy is now, to formulate some sort of a policy on which it can get together. The Democracy, however, cannot discover or evolve any such policy. The policy of "harrying and nagging" is the only policy which the Democratic party has practiced since Buchanan left the presidency. A paper, Democratic or other, which asks that party to adopt a positive program now is unreasonable.

Senator Vest claims that nobody questioned Judge Taney's anti-colonial declaration in the Dred Scott decision until the expansion craze became rampant. In this he is mistaken as Pomeroy in his "Introduction to the Constitutional Law of the United States," published many years ago, held it to be a rule that could not be enforced. "Territory," Pomeroy says, "may be acquired and must be governed by Congress."

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A prominent English publicist, Sir Edmund Monson, declares that few countries can compete with America in statesmanship, and that American methods as illustrated in the Paris convention are destined to "drive old world diplomacy off the earth." Uncle Sam has been telling the boys all along that he knew a thing or two, but they have been reluctant to admit it heretofore.

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness," so it is said. American engineers and sanitarians have been at work for some months in Havana removing the pest-breeding filth, the accumulation of years, and it is now said that Havana begins to smell sweet. Perhaps these are the political sharks the Rev. Newcomer has had a revelation about.

As soon as the peace treaty was signed the sultan discovered that Turkey is desirous of paying to the United States the indemnity for ravaging American missionaries in Armenia, and yet there are imbeciles in this country who imagine there should be no power in the country except the church.

Colonel Bryan has resigned and his resignation has been accepted and the country will soon have the benefit of all he knows about the war and the recent election.

Mr. Bailey's objection to General Joe Wheeler's presence in the House is much like the fly on the ox's horn objecting to the shape of the horn.

It is reported that Sagasta will conspire to defeat the ratification of the peace treaty. Should he succeed the anti-expansionists in this country will have a "conniption."

After all the anti-expansionists have modified their views to the extent of objecting only to the annexation of territory on the colonial plan.

Don Carlos may succeed to the Spanish throne, but there is no danger that he will stir up any contest with Uncle Sam.

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Samuel Shupp, Grocer at 214 West Main street, residing at 838 West Wood street, says: "I have been troubled for some time with pain across my back or a weakness across my kidneys. My back has been so weak that I could not hold a five pound weight without being in extreme misery. When my body was in action, such as stooping or turning about it always increased the pain. I used a good many plasters, but they only eased by back for the time being. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and backed up with good references so I made up my mind to try them and I got a box at a drugstore. They relieved the pain in my back and strengthened my kidneys. They are certainly a good remedy for weak kidneys., and I consider Doan's Kidney Pills the best I have ever used. You may publish my statement and I will endorse it whenever the occasion demands it."

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RUSSIAN ARMY DISCIPLINE.

Cruel Way In Which the Czar's Soldiers Were Treated Only a Few Years Ago.

Blows from the officers, flogging with birch rods and with sticks, for the slightest fault, were normal affairs. The cruelty that was displayed surpasses all imagination. Even in the corps of cadets, where only noblemen's sons were educated, a thousand blows with birch rods were sometimes administered, in the presence of the corps, for a cigarette—doctor standing by the tortured boy, and ordering the punishment to end only when he ascertained that the pulse was about to stop beating. The bleeding victim was carried away unconscious to the hospital. The Grand Duke Mikhael, commander of the military school, would quickly have removed the director of a corps who had not had one or two such cases every year. "No discipline," he used to say.

When one of the common soldiers appeared before a court-martial, the sentence was that a thousand men should be placed in two ranks, facing each other, every soldier armed with a stick of the thickness of the little finger (these sticks were known under the German name of spitzruthen), and that the condemned man should be dragged three, four, five and seven times between these two rows, each soldier administering a blow. Sergeants followed to see that full force was used. After one or two thousand blows had been given, the victim, spitting blood was taken to the hospital and attended to, in order that the punishment might be finished as soon as he had more or less recovered from the effects of the first part of it. If he died under the torture, the execution of the sentence was completed upon the corpse.

Nicholas I and his brother were pitiless; no remittance of the punishment was ever possible. "I will send you through the ranks; you shall be skinned under the sticks," were threats which made part of the current language.—Prince Krapotkin, in Atlantic.

Her Cake.

"This young man that comes to see you so often," said Mr. Wilkinsburg to his daughter. "You mean Mr. Brushton, papa?" asked the maiden. "Yes; has he any dough?" "Dough? Why, papa, you surely do not expect him to do the baking after we are married!"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

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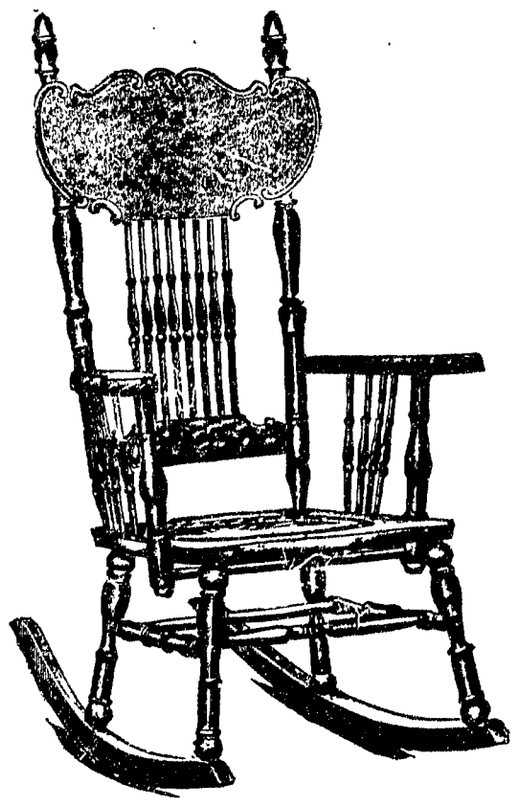

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Wheat—					
Dec	64⅛	65	64⅞	64½	63½
May	66⅜	6⅞	65⅜	66⅜	66
July	—	—	—	—	—
Corn—					
Dec	3⅛	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
May	34¾	34¾	34⅝	34⅜	34⅛
July	—	—	—	34⅛	35⅛
Oats—					
	—	—	—	—	—
Dec	—	—	—	26⅝	25½
May	26½	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
Pork—					
May	9 55	9.70	9.55	9 62½	9 65
Lard—					
May	5 27½	5 40	5.37½	5.27½	5 42½
Ribs—					
May	4 87½	4 67½	4 82½	4 85	4 82½

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—213; Estimated 190; a year ago 324.
Corn—352; Estimated, 125; a year ago, 176.
Oats—211, Estimated, 213, a year ago 213

Estimates for Tomorrow.

Wheat, 163; Corn, 450; Oats, 290.

Hogs.

Hog receipts 50,000; estimated, 53,000.
Market, lower.
Light $3.35 @ $3.45; Mixed, $3.30 @ 3.47½
Heavy $3.40 @ $3.52½; Rough, $3.30 @ 3.33
Estimated for to-morrow, 53,000

Cattle.

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Will of Patrick Hays.

The will of the late Patrick Hays was admitted to probate in the county court on Tuesday. All of the property including a house and lot and household furniture, is left to the widow, Maria Hays. Bridget Hays is named as executrix.

The will of the late Mattie Hattick was offered for probate and the date set for the hearing is January 6.

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Presbyterian Sale,

Come to the Presbyterian sale on Saturday. Christmas novelties, handkerchiefs, aprons and many useful articles to tempt the buyer. Mince meat, cakes, puddings, canned fruits, etc., for busy housekeepers at Domestic table.—14-d2t

Notice.

To Harvey S. Towling, that January 6, 1899, is the day set by the county court for the hearing and probate of the will of Kate Towling, deceased. J. M. Dodd, County Clerk.

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

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For every consulate there are many disconsolates, says an office-seeker.

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A laundry has been started at 900 East Eldorado street by the firm of Powers & Jackson. It is called the Troy Steam Laundry and railroad men and mechanics' work is especially solicited. Saturday will be the special day for this work.

Case of Cars Johnson.

Cars Johnson, the man who was arrested for stealing chickens from Charles Grist, was before Justice Hardy Tuesday afternoon, but his case was postponed until December 28.

—Mrs. E. A. Morgan went to Maroa yesterday, for a brief visit with friends.

The cheek bone is the most sensitive part of the body.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

The death of Col ...os Webster, of Washington, leave... n. Horace Porter now ami... ...e Paris, the only surviving member of Gen. U. S. Grant's personal staff.

A Wilmington (Del) man was recently refused admission to the Delaware hospital shortly before his death, and for that reason he revoked a will in which he had bequeathed $5,000 to the hospital

Foote praising the hospitality of the Irish, after one of his trips to the sister kingdom, a gentleman asked him if he had ever been at Cork. "No, sir," replied Foote, "but I have seen many drawings of it."

Alexander R. Shepherd, who has made a fortune of $12,000,000 in the mines of Batopilas, Mexico., recently ordered a piano from New York, and to have the instrument carried over the mountains had to pay $2,000.

An applicant for employment as detective in the United States secret service naively declared, as one of his qualifications for the work, that he had been married four times." This statement was evidently intended to convince Chief Wilkie that the applicant was a man of remarkable courage.

Charles A. Chopin, of Niles, Mich., one of the richest men in that state, bought land there years ago and tried to find copper. Failing he endeavored for 20 years to sell the ground; then, when he was 60 years old, discovered, just in time, that he owned what were to become the richest iron mines in the country

The mourners at a funeral in Sligo, Ireland, had just brought the body into the cemetery when it was discovered that the coffin was so long the grave had to be enlarged. "Your husband must have been a very tall man," said the officiating clergyman. "Oh, no," responded the widow, "but he expressed a wish to be buried with his silk hat on."

A proof of the increasing love of tobacco in Great Britain is given in the report of the principal chemist at Somerset house, who says that the tobacco cleared for consumption in the United Kingdom has now reached one pound twelve ounces per head of the population. In the first year of this decade the amount per head was one pound 9½ ounces, and since then it has steadily increased.

TRICKS OF AN OPIUM VICTIM.

How a Woman Kept Herself Supplied with the Drug at a Sanitarium—Discovery Is Accidental.

A Chicago physician gives this account of a colleague's recent medical experience:

"I could give you the name of the patient," he said, "but that would be a breach of professional confidence, and anyway it is not essential. She was divorced, but I hear has married again. She is good looking, clever, rich, and quite well known in society, but for a long time was addicted to the use of opium. The habit became so strong that her relatives advised her to go under an assumed name to a sanitarium for treatment. She refused until they threatened to have her committed to some asylum for the insane, when she sullenly yielded, taking a nurse with her.

"The sanitarium doctors were surprised to note that she did not seem depressed, as are most patients during the first few weeks of abstinence from the drug. One day the doctor said to her: 'You don't seem to miss your opium?'

"'No,' she said, with a smile. 'It did not have such a hold on me as I thought.'

"Later, however, the doctor discovered by mere accident the cause of her cheerfulness. One of the regular attendants caught her in the act of taking opium. When he asked her where she had obtained the drug she refused to tell. But after a little urging she confessed that she had brought a supply with her.

"The matron searched the room, and when she came to the office to report she had a strange story. The woman had hidden little packages of opium in every conceivable part of her dresses. There was opium in the sleeves, in the ruffles, in the lace, in the lining, and in blind pockets. There was opium sewed inside her garters and in her undergarments. She even had opium concealed in the papers which she used to curl her hair.

"She made it a part of her maid's duty, the doctor learned, to administer this opium to her in such a way that it would not be detected. The maid was promptly sent home. Her mistress was supplied with new dresses and placed in another room. For several weeks she underwent the depressing experience of all who break off the habit. But now she is cured."—Chicago Tribune.

In the Shade.

Two Irish laborers, old-time friends, met on the street in San Francisco recently, and after a cordial handshake one of them inquired: "An' where have yez be'n, Moike?" "Workin' on the farrums in southern California," was the reply, "and Oi'm mighty glad ter git back." "What happened yez there?" was the next inquiry. "Te' weather. It was too doomed hot. Why, whin Oi was a-workin' near Frisno th' ter-mom'ter marked wan hundred an' sixteen dagrais in th' shade." "Is that so? Will, be Hivens, they didn't make yez worruk in th' shade, did they?"—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Conjurer's Trick.

Mr. Maskelyne, the London conjurer, has been compelled by the courts to make good his offer of £500 to anyone who could imitate successfully his box trick. He had made the offer with impunity for years in his speech introducing the trick, but, when two young clerks took it up, refused to pay.—N. Y. Sun.

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A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Benefit Not Clear.—"If Wiggins called you a liar you ought to make him prove it." "What good would that do."—Chicago Record.

Mrs. Newed—"Was I nervous, dear, during the ceremony?" Her Friend—"Well, a trifle at first, darling, but not after William had said 'yes.'"—Tit-Bits.

"Bustleby is always in a tremendous hurry." "That's so. Why, I've seen him steam right by a danger sign without stopping to find out why it was there!"—Punch.

She—"Have you ever had any experience on the links?" He—"Well, no. not exactly. I used to work in a sausage factory, but merely as a bookkeeper."—Chicago Daily News.

"Do you really believe you were unjustly defeated at the election?" "Undoubtedly. Why, in one division, where I am only given two votes, I can produce one man who voted four times."—Philadelphia American.

"Didn't I understand you to say that Maud had married a vegetarian?" "If you did, you misunderstood me. I said she had married a man who wasn't able to have meat for dinner more than half the time."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"No matter what I say," she remarked, "my husband never talks back to me." "Of course not," said her companion. "He's a professional pugilist, and doesn't believe in taking his business home with him."—Washington Star.

Tenement, Indeed.—Mrs. Newrich—"I never was so insulted in my life!" Maude—"What's the matter, mommer?" Mrs. Newrich—"That minister asked me if I was ready to leave my earthly tenement. And ours is the finest mansion on Fifth avenue!"—N. Y. Journal.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles 10c at J. E. King's and C F. Shilling's Drug Stores. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

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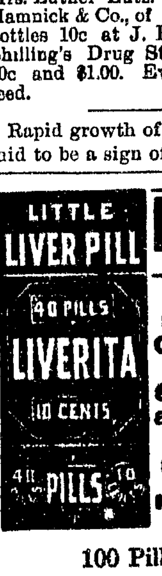

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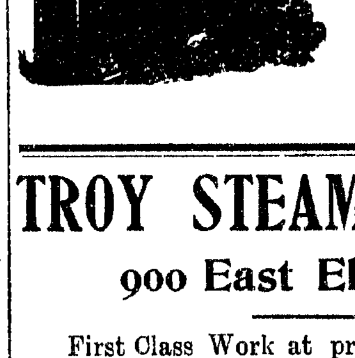

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DIALECTS IN AUSTRIA.

There Are Widely Different Tongues Spoken in the Various Provinces.

In the Austrian Alps the local dialects so vary as to be unintelligible from one district to another, and yet have been cultivated in passion plays and popular poetry. Over and above these dialects are scattered—chiefly in lower Austria, but even round Vienna—Slav colonies, Czechs, Slovaks, Croats. In Vienna itself the czechs claim to be 150,000. Slovenians spread over three crownlands — Styria, Carinthia and Carniola—and dominate in the last, which contains also Uscoks, Roman Catholic Serbs, but the Slovenians seem to be retreating before the Germans.

Of these a remarkable group occurs in the barren Gottschee country, southeast of Laybach, only inhabited since the fourteenth century. Here again we find a dialect unintelligible to other Germans, yet rich in tales and poetry. Strange to say, the reawakening of the Slovenian race in the course of the last hundred years seems to have been determined by the first Napoleon, who replaced German in the normal schools of the so-called Illyrian provinces (six in number) by Slovene and called forth the passionate admiration of the Slovenian poets. Tyrol and Vorarlberg, again, are divided between Germans, Italians and "Ladins" (Latins), the so-called Romansch of Switzerland.

In the Tyrol also each valley has its own pronunciation, its own accent, its expressions unintelligible a few miles off. The Ladins were predominant in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; toward the eighteenth century the Italians got the upper hand, but seem now to be becoming gradually outnumbered by the Germans. The Ladins form a curious little group of from 10,000 to 20,000 in Tyrol, with nearly 50,000 in Friuli (besides the 40,000 of the Grisons). Their language is nearer to Provencal or Catalonian than to Italian. They chiefly inhabit the valleys, while the German climbs the mountain sides, just as he has done in Bohemia, the Czechs mainly occupying the plains.—London Spectator.

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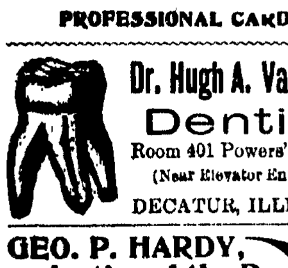

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ONE MAN IS A REGIMENT.

Peculiar Dilemma of Sergt. Clutch, of Philadelphia, and How It Came About.

Secretary Alger has ordered the Third Pennsylvania regiment to be retained for garrison duty in Cuba. If the mandate of the secretary is to be carried out to the letter Sergt. Robert M. Clutch, in all his solitary and regimental dignity, will embark for the Pearl of the Antilles, and there guard, and fight, perhaps, for the honor of Uncle Sam. Sergt. Clutch is the Third regiment. All the life and existence of this doughty Philadelphia organization is wrapped up in one man, who occupies a unique position in the armies of this great nation.

Many imagine that a regiment consists of a colonel, captains and columns of marching soldiers. It does usually, but in this case things are different. There is a colonel, his name is Clutch; there is a captain, also Clutch; and so on down the whole list it is Clutch, from the glory of the shoulder straps to the apron of the humble but necessary cook. History tells of men, young in years, who have marshalled the armies of nations, and by their military prowess changed the destiny of empires, but none of them, Napoleon included, ever was a regiment himself.

This strange condition of things came about as follows: One day lately the colonel, staff, line officers and men of the Third regiment on furlough at Philadelphia, were formally mustered out of the service of the United States—that is, except one. This was Sergt. Clutch, who, at the present writing, is still a soldier, and a regiment, too. The sergeant was absent from Philadelphia, and could not be mustered out with his command, company A. He arrived in town one night recently and arrangements were made to have him leave the service. The rest of the erstwhile boys in blue are parading around in newest store clothes, but the gallant sergeant is alone entitled to wear the blue blouse and jaunty campaign hat. One afternoon recently an order was sent from the war department from Philadelphia that the Second and Third regiments were to be retained instead of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth, now at Camp Meade. The Second was still intact, but for the Third the order came too late to affect the now discharged officers and men.

So the mantle of military glory falls on the sergeant. He is the Third. And the Third has been retained. If he is discharged it will be contrary to the order from Washington, and so he must mobilize himself for further orders.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN.

Queer Way in Which the Philosopher Gave Relief to a Poverty-Stricken Couple.

"I was an eye witness," said another of the party, "of an occurrence that would have been regarded as remarkable had I not understood it. Late one afternoon I was sitting on a bench in Madison square. On another bench near by were a man and woman, both young. The man was thin and pale, and I gathered from such of his talk as I overheard that he was recovering from a long illness, that the woman was his wife, and that they were in desperate need of money.

"George Francis Train came along and sat down beside me on the bench. I knew him well and told him about the young people and their troubles. Presently he went on his way, and I saw him go into a store on the south side of the square. A few minutes later he came back to the young couple. As he passed them a shower of gold and silver dropped from his pocket, directly at their feet, jingling musically on the asphalt. Mr. Train walked right along, paying no heed. The young man sprang up and called Mr. Train's attention to his loss, saying: 'You've dropped a lot of money, sir.' 'You're very much mistaken, young man,' Train replied, and he walked rapidly away.

"The young couple were utterly dumfounded, and, after they had gathered up the coins, seriously talked of turning the money over to the police. Fearing that they would really be so foolish, I went to them and advised them to keep the wealth, as the man who had dropped it had a way of doing just such eccentric things, which he could well afford, as he possessed a great fortune. They left the square soon after with smiling faces.

"Train had undoubtedly gone to a store, obtained a lot of coin, cut the lining of his pocket, holding the gap together with his hands to keep the coin within until he reached the young couple, when he let go and the coin fell at their feet. It was his way of helping them without embarrassing them with an offer of charity."—Washington Post.

White Uniforms in Manila.

The fashion of white clothes goes with the American officers. Gen. Merritt, Gen. Greene, Admiral Dewey and Capt. Seabury, of the China, just as that ship was about to start for Hong-Kong, formed a handsome group, all in snow-white linen, coats, trousers, caps and shoes; a few gold buttons and cords, shoulder straps and cuffs, the only relief on figures that semed cut from marble without flaw or stain. When I called on Gen. Aguinaldo and he came in, his name softly announced, he was in white, his coat buttoned, his trousers newly ironed. So far as our officers are concerned in the Philippines, they are not boys in blue, but boys in white.—N. Y. Independent.

Still After It.

Askins—Let me see! Somewhere I read a book entitled "A Young Girl's Heart;" do you know anything of it?

Grimshaw—Yes; it came right after "A Young Man's Pocketbook."—Puck.

For Pneumonia.

Dr. J. C. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia the past month with good results." H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

A great ideal love must destroy either itself or the being who feels it. —Winter.

Life is a stream upon which drift flowers in spring and blocks of ice in winter.—Roux.

LITTLE WORLD IN ITSELF.

Provincialism in Paris—Thinks Only of Dreyfus and Believes All the World Does So, Too.

I went out on Sunday to a little town just over 20 miles from Paris, writes a correspondent of the London Mail. I dined in the inn—a couple of cyclists from Paris yawning at the other side of the table, a local notary and a couple of friends at the top. Afterwards, having no French money, I proposed to pay the bill with a sovereign. A sovereign is currency in the remotest village of Norway, in Turkey, in Egyptian mud bazaars, where a white man has hardly ever been seen. But the French innkeeper, 20 miles from Paris, had never seen a sovereign and never heard of one, and he absolutely declined, with the utmost politeness, to bid more than 20 francs for it.

That is a parable of the present state of things in France. In England we are troubled and grave, preparing our fleets, regretful that France will be our enemy, that France insists on having war. But if war came nobody would be more utterly astonished than France. France is paying absolutely no attention to the Fashoda question. If we declared war France would consider it a most unprovoked aggression, just as she regards the present plain speaking of our journals as mere mud throwing, such as she is accustomed to read in her own press about the Dreyfus affair.

France, in brief, is just now interested in something else—namely: the affair. And it is utterly impossible to persuade her that what absorbs her does not equally absorb the whole world. The queen of civilization is wholly and hopelessly provincial.

BACKSET FOR A POET.

The Reciting Rhymster Is Squelched by a Golden Haired Tot of Five.

He is a kindly old gentleman and he writes sweet little poems about children. He also has the habit of reciting his verses by the hour to any willing or unwilling listener whom he is fortunate enough to corral, says a Chicago exchange.

He dropped into the doctor's the other evening, removed his overcoat and began. The doctor is a kind-hearted soul and his wife is a lady of much refinement. They have a little golden-haired girl of five, who sat for a long time and stared at the visitor solemnly.

He has committed to heart everything that he has ever written, and his poems are innumerable. Occasionally he would stop, and, smiling at the little girl, would say: "You liked that didn't you, sissy? That touched you, eh? Oh, I like to have the little children listen to me. They understand me and I understand them."

The doctor and the doctor's wife occasionally exclaimed "Beautiful!" or "Touching!" What else could they do?

Then the poet declared: "The wondering silence of that child is to me greater praise than the plaudits of admiring thousands."

At last the little girl slid down from her chair, and, marching up to the poet, looked him squarely in the eye, while she asked, innocently:

"Say, old man, are you goin' to stay here all night?"

RATTLERS AND THE WEATHER.

A California Theory That They Won't Bite When There Is to Be a Dry Spell.

Seldom has it happened that a rattlesnake bite has been sufficient to destroy the reputation of a weather prophet. Rattlesnake Jack Mogan is known from one end of the Mojave desert to the other. An eccentric sort of man, he likes to frequent the haunts of snakes, and often pitches camp for the night in places which gila monsters and rattlers have long preempted. Just before the recent election he rounded himself up in Merced and began talking of his adventures. It takes two drinks to get Mogan's eloquence started: the number of drinks that will bring him to a full stop has never been ascertained, although the health and fortunes of the entire San Joaquin valley would willingly be gambled away to find out, says a local exchange.

"There is going to be a dry winter," he began. "There won't be enough rain this season to give the wheat any sort of a start; 'twill be worse nor it was last year, which was a proper corker. How do I know? Why, I found that out by the rattlesnakes. They know, you bet. When there is a dry winter coming the rattlesnakes, leastwise in Californy, cannot be coaxed to bite. I've watched 'em twenty-five years now, and I know what I am talking about. The snakes will not bite, and that means that we will have a winter as dry as a bone."

Knew All by Heart.

The vicar of Skegby, England, was marrying a couple the other day, both of whom had been constant attendants at his Sunday school. The woman in the case had, indeed, but recently captured a prize offered for ability to repeat by rote without mistake the entire catechism of the Church of England. She had apparently suffered nothing from the tax upon her memory until the clergyman turned to her before the altar and asked, according to the ritual: "Mary Jane, wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?" Then habit asserted itself, and the tangled skein of memory refused to unravel. "Yes, verily, by God's help, so I will," she replied, "and I heartily thank our Heavenly Father, who hath brought me into this state of salvation."

Zulus Fear Mothers-in-Law.

Among the mysterious customs of the Zulus is the dread which the married man has of his mother-in-law. He is afraid to meet her and always holds up his shield to screen him from her glance when he passes her dwelling.

Mr. Hardin Norris, clerk of the drug store of R. Shoemaker, Perry, Ill., says: "A man came into our store the other day and said, 'I want a bottle of that stuff that saves children's lives. I read in the News about it. The children may get sick when we can not get the doctor quick enough. It's the medicine you sell for croup.'" He alluded to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and bought a bottle before he left the store. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shill

SLEDGING IN SIBERIA.

It Is Attended with All the Terrors of Death by Freezing—A Terrible Experience.

Traveling by sledge in Siberia in winter has its perils, as the experience of Mr. Robert L. Jefferson and his friends goes to illustrate. The incident is told in "Roughing it in Siberia."

"We had chartered six sorry-looking horses to drag us on to the next stage. It was night when we started. The driver, maudlin drunk, had to be helped to his seat, and we set off along the narrow roadway at the usual gallop, which, however, soon dwindled into a mere shuffle through the snow. We had gone to sleep, and some hours after our departure Gaskell woke me and said he thought something was wrong.

"The sledge was at a standstill and our shouts to the yemshik brought no response. Black darkness prevailed. I bundled out of the sledge, so benumbed that I could scarcely move. I felt along the sledge, sinking to my knees in the snow.

"The driver's perch was empty; and just then I stumbled over one of the horses, which was lying buried up to its neck. It was clear that the driver had fallen from his seat, and that the horses had wandered from the track. The poor beasts were stuck fast, and a closer inspection showed one of them to be dead—literally frozen to death. If we would save ourselves from the same fate, prompt action was necessary.

"The other horses were nearly succumbing. They lay flat on their stomachs and nibbled at the snow. We cut the dead animal adrift, and using the spare rope as whips, we stood on either side of the living and lashed them till our arms ached. At length they moved, and by pushing and pulling we got the sledge turned. Then, step by step, with much floundering and many falls, we began to retrace our way.

"All this in pitch darkness, in a raw, cold wind, and in momentary expectation of one or all of the horses dropping dead.

"It was a terrible experience, but we regained the road and finally reached the village."

BEGGARS GAIN WEALTH.

A Number of European Mendicants Who Left Pretty Snug Fortunes.

The wealthiest known living professional beggar, Simon Oppasich, an Austrian, was born without feet or hands, and sympathy for his infirmities brought him a large fortune in the shape of alms. In 1880, when he was 47 years old, he had saved £12,000, and in 1888 he had increased his fortune by speculation to £25,000 in cash and about £40,000 in Trieste and Parenzo estates. Since then he has quadrupled his wealth by speculation on the bourse, says the London Mail.

When Tori, well-known Italian beggar, died last year, bank books, securities, gold and silver and other articles, to the value of upward of £80,000, were found in his rooms. His heirs were two nephews, who had been existing in a state of miserable poverty for years.

A beggar who died in Auxerre, France, in 1895, was found to have bonds to the value of 1,000,000 francs in an old trunk and 400 bottles of wine of the vintage of 1790.

The French seem to be a generous nation, for in the same year an old woman, who lived in a wretched garret in the Rue de Sevres, Paris, died, leaving government securities representing an annual income of £21, all made by begging.

A beggar named Gustave Marcelin, of Avignon, died in November, 1892, and left £20,000 in French government bonds, to be divided equally between the city and the Bureau di Bienfaisance, the great French charity society.

BATHS NOT HER SPECIALTY.

A Chicago Hospital Patient Who Had Not Had One in Six Months.

This actually occurred in one of the hospitals in the city where a number of patients from the lower walks of life are brought for free treatment, reports the Chicago Chronicle: One night the police ambulance brought a young woman who was suffering from a severe case of rheumatism. The first part of the treatment accorded patients is a thorough bath before they are placed between the clean sheets, and the unpleasant task of administering the scrub is a part of the duty of the probationers, as the nurses are called during the first six months of their training. The one who attempted the work in this case found a hopeless job on her hands, and after much vain labor she went to one of the older nurses for advice. It being a case of rheumatism, they disliked to risk putting her in a tub, but there seemed to be no help for it, so they soused her into the hot water and used soap, soda, alcohol and everything else the place afforded, and they rubbed, scrubbed and scoured with but little success. At last the elder nurse exclaimed: "I don't believe you ever had a bath before, did you?"

"Yes, I did," replied the patient, in tones of indignation.

"When was it?"

"Just before I was married."

"How long ago was that?"

"A little over six months."

Keeping Dogs Quiet in Japan.

When a dog barks at night in Japan the owner is arrested and sentenced to work for a year for the neighbors whose slumbers may have been disturbed.

Hebrews Have No Rights in Spain.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court,
MACON COUNTY, }
Sarah A. Watts, Complainant, vs. Frank E. Wolf et al, Defendants.—In Chancery No. 755.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October Term of said Court, A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday December 13, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, described as follows, to wit: All [illegible] being [illegible] northeast quarter of the south[illegible] part of [illegible] section 21, township 16 north, [illegible] of the 3d P. M. which lies north [illegible] of the [illegible] tar and Taylorville wagon [illegible] also known as Lot 1 of the northeast quarter [illegible] of said section [illegible] southwest quarter of [illegible] recorder's office of [illegible] County [illegible] book 22 of records on [illegible] to contain 33.12 acres, except in [illegible] tract a strip one rod in width off [illegible] thereof; also [illegible] feet east of the northwest [illegible] Lot 7 in the west half of the south [illegible] section [illegible] township 16 north, range [illegible] P. M. thence running east 60 [illegible] south 15[illegible] feet, thence west 60 feet, [illegible] to the place of beginning. [illegible] lots 15 and 16 in block 6 of [illegible] Co.'s Addition to the City of [illegible] lot No. 1 in block No. 6 in Smith [illegible] addition to the city of Decatur, all in [illegible] County, Illinois.

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Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
[illegible] Complainant's Solicitors.
Nov 21-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois. Anna M. C. Meyer et al Vs. Francis X. Greisser, Catharine Elizabeth Greisser, Mary Ottilia Greisser, Anna Amelia Greisser and Ricka Greisser.—Bill to Quiet Title. No.—, January Term, 1899.

Affidavit of non-residence of Catharine Elizabeth Greisser, Mary Ottilia Greisser and Anna Amelia Greisser, three of the above named defendants in the above entitled cause, having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk of Macon county Illinois, notice is hereby given to the said Catharine Elizabeth Greisser or if she be married by whatever name she may be known, Mary Ottilia Greisser or if she be married by whatever name she may be known, and Anna Amelia Greisser or if she be married by whatever name she may be known that the complainants in the above entitled cause, have filed their bill to quiet title in said court on the [illegible] day of December, 1898; that summons issued out of said court against said defendants returnable to the first day of the next January term of said court as is by law required.

Now therefore unless you, the said Catharine Elizabeth Greisser, or if you be married by whatever name you may be known, Mary Ottilia Greisser or if you be married by whatever name you may be known, and Anna Amelia Greisser or if you be married by whatever name you may be known, and each of you shall personally appear before the circuit court of Macon county Illinois on the first day of the next term thereof to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur in the said county of Macon on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1899, to plead, answer or demur to said bill the same and the matters and things therein set forth will be taken as confessed by you and a decree will be entered in said cause in accordance with the prayer of said bill.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, December 10, 1898.
D. L. FOSTER,
Clerk of said Court.
Alex. McIntosh, Solicitor.
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Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES,"
Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12, '93.

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to w[illegible] you a line in regard to the beneficial effect [illegible] Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am [illegible]sonally concerned. A week ago last Thursd[illegible] I was taken with a severe attack of la grip[illegible] and in a short time became so hoarse I co[illegible] not speak above a whisper. The night previ[illegible] I coughed nearly the entire night; just bef[illegible] retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the [illegible] the night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, [illegible] coughing once. I was entirely relieved bef[illegible] taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold [illegible] Croup Cure should be in every household in [illegible] land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by [illegible] one, for you are benefactors of the race in giv[illegible] the antidote for some of the worst affecti[illegible] to which it is heir. Very truly yours,
C. J. NESBITT, Edito[illegible]

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '[illegible]
Last Friday, Dec. 19 my attending physi[illegible] stated that unless I was better by mornin[illegible] could do nothing for my relief. That nig[illegible] commenced taking Phelps' "Four-C" Rem[illegible] stopped all other medicines. The first [illegible] stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a[illegible] more doses removed all soreness from my lu[illegible] the second day I was up; the third day I [illegible] out on the porch and today was up town [illegible] chasing holiday goods.
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...ay December 13, 1898,

... o'clock p. m., at the north door ... house on East Wood street, in the ... in said county, offer for sale at ... to the highest and best bidder ... said decree ordered to be ... as follows, to wit: All ... quarter of the south ... township 16 north, ... P. M. which lies north ... and Taylorville wagon ... of the northeast quarter ... quarter of said sec on 21, ... in the recorder's office of ... book 24 of records on ... contain 33.0 acres, excepting ... point in ... thereof, also ... feet east of the northwest ... west half of the south ... township 16 north, range ... P. M. thence running east 60 ... thence west 60 feet, ... to the place of beginning; ... and 16 in block 6 of ... Addition to the City of ... No. 1 in block No. 6 in Smith ... to the city of Decatur, and ... Illinois.

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... Illinois, this 21st day of ... A. D. 1898.
... FINN, Master in Chancery.
..., Complainant's Solicitors.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

... Court of Macon County, Illinois
... Meyer et al Vs. Francis X Greisser, ... Elizabeth Greisser, Mary Ottilia ... Anna Amelia Greisser and Ri... Bill to Quiet Title. No.—,
... 1899.

... non residence of Catharine Eliza... Mary Ottilia Greisser and Anna ... three of the above named de... above entitled cause, having ... the office of the circuit clerk of ... Illinois notice is hereby given ... Catharine Elizabeth Greisser or if ... by whatever name she may be ... Ottilia Greisser or if she be mar... ever name she may be known, and ... Greisser or if she be married by ... name she may be known that the ... in the above entitled cause, have ... to quiet title in said court on the ... December, 1898, that summons issued ... court against said defendants re... the first day of the next January ... court as is by law required.
... unless you, the said Catharine ... or if you be married by what... may be known, Mary Ottilia ... if you be married by whatever name ... known, and Anna Amelia Greisser, ... married by whatever name you may ... and each of you shall personally ap... the circuit court of Macon county, ... on the first day of the next term thereof ... the court house in the city of De... said county of Macon on the second ... of January, A. D. 1899 to plead, answer ... to said bill the same and the matters ... therein set forth will be taken as con... and a decree will be entered in ... accordance with the prayer of ...

Dated at Decatur Illinois December 10 1898.
D. L. FOSTER,
Clerk of said Court.
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STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
Macon County,

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois to the January Term, 1899.

Henry Oehler, vs. Mamie E. Grass, Joseph Grass Andrew Heminger and Henry Color.—In Chancery, No. 17,054

Affidavit of non-residence of Mamie E. Grass and Joseph Grass, two of the above named defendants having been filed in the office of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois notice is hereby given to the said Mamie E. Grass and Joseph Grass that the complainant in the above entitled cause has filed his bill of foreclosure in the said court on the 8th day of December, 1898; that summons issued out of said court against the said defendants returnable to the first day of the next January term of said court as by law required.

Now therefore notice is hereby given to you, the said Mamie E. Grass and Joseph Grass and each of you that unless you shall personally appear before the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden at the court house in the city of Decatur in said county on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1899, to plead answer or demur to the said complainants bill the same and the matters and things therein set forth shall be taken as confessed against you and each of you and a decree entered against you and each of you according to the prayer of said bill.

Dated this 10th day of December, A. D. 1898.
D. L. FOSTER Clerk of said Court.
Alexander McIntosh, Solicitor.
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NOTICE

Of Special Meeting of the Stockholders of the Decatur Furniture Company.

To the Stockholders of the Decatur Furniture Company:

Notice is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of said company at 10 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, the 27th day of December, A. D. 1898, at the Banking House of Peddecord, Burrows & Co., Decatur, Illinois, for the purpose of considering the subject of the decrease of the capital stock of said corporations and to determine the matter as to such decrease of stock.

J. J. PEDDECORD,
L. BURROWS,
R. G. PEDDECORD,
Nov 26-d3w Directors of said Corporation.

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Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES," } Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12 '98. }

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am personally concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I ... nearly the entire night; just before retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by any one, for you are benefactors of the race in giving this antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,
C. J. NESBITT, Editor.

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

Last Friday, Dec. 19 my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning he could do nothing for my relief. That night I began taking Phelps' "Four-C" Remedy, stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses removed all soreness from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods.
MISS JENNIE BASSETT,
Washington Avenue and Summit St.

CROUP CURED.

One dose of Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure gave my child instant relief when attacked with the croup.
W. E. MOORE, of Moore Bros., Grocers,
Arkansas City, Kansas.

UNBROKEN REST AT NIGHT.

J. B. HULING, Manager, } Office Commercial Printing Co., } 196 South Clark St. } Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

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Chicago, Sept. 25, '95.

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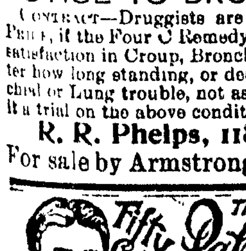

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Publication Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,

In the County Court, of Macon county, to the January Term, A. D. 1899.

Stanley Tucker, administrator, vs Sarah Rider' Sallie Ann Maden, Albert Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, James Maden, Jr., John Maden, Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller, Sarah F. Jones, Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, the unknown heirs of Alfred Maden, deceased, the unknown heirs of William Maden, deceased, Mary Gosser, Louisa Richardson, Cyrus Maden William Maden, Rufus Maden, Frankie Maden, Armilie Rider, Beverly Maden, Eliza Lane, Emaline Rider, Riley Maden, Jr., Hannah Harris, Eli Maden, Evelyn Maden, Lizzie Maden, Minnie Whittaker Grover O. Whittaker, James Whittaker, Lizzie Whittaker, Stephen Maden, Chas. Sanders and William Maden.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Sallie Ann Maden, Albert Maden John Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, Riley Maden Sr., Jane Reed Tuller Sarah F. Jones, Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, Louis Richardson the unknown heirs of Alfred Maden deceased the unknown heirs of William Maden deceased part of the defendants in the above named proceedings, having been filed in the office of the county court in Macon county, notice is hereby given to the said Sallie Ann Maden, Albert Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, John Maden, Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller Sarah F Jones, Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, Louisa Richardson, the unknown heirs of Alfred Maden deceased, and unknown heirs of William Maden, deceased that the petitioner, acting as administrator of the estate of William P. Gibson, deceased, has heretofore filed his petition in said county court of Macon county praying for a decree for the sale of the said real estate belonging to the estate of the said deceased, or so much as may be needed to pay the debts of the said deceased, and described as follows, to-wit: East part of thirty-two and one-half acres off of the east end of lot one (1) of the northeast quarter of section one (1), Township fifteen (15) North, Range three (3) east of the Third Principal Meridian, containing nineteen (19) acres; south part of the south end of the east half of lot one (1) of the northwest quarter of Section one (1), Township fifteen (15) North, Range Three east of Third Principal Meridian, containing four (4) acres; east part of east half of lot one (1) of the northwest quarter of Section one (1), Township fifteen (15) North, Range three (3) East of the Third Principal Meridian, containing five (5) acres; the north end of the west half of the southwest quarter of Section one (1), Township fifteen (15) North, Range Three east of the Third Principal Meridian, containing two (2) acres, containing in all thirty (3) acres more or less. That a summons has been issued out of the said court against you returnable to the January term, A. D. 1899, of said court, to be holden on the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1899, at the court house in the city of Decatur, county and state aforesaid.

Now unless you the said Sallie Ann Maden Albert Maden, John Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller, Sarah F. Jones Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, Louisa Richardson, the unknown heirs of Alfred Maden, deceased, and the unknown heirs of William Maden deceased, shall personally be and appear before the county court of Macon county on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden at Decatur, in the said county aforesaid, on the 2d day of January 1899, to plead, answer or demur to said complainant's petition filed therein, the same in the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed and decree entered against you according to the prayer of said petition.
J. M. BOYD, Clerk.
W. B. Tyler, Complainant's Solicitor.
dec1-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

State of Illinois, Macon County, ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, to the January Term, A. D. 1899.

Elizabeth Lambert vs John S. Vance et al.—In Chancery.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Frianna M. Hays, Elida Barnes, Costie Slaback, Alice Roth, Tim Murrin Slaback, Elizabeth Slaback, William Slaback, Melville Slaback, Wilson Maddox, Ellen Munk, Nathan S. Vance, Florence Peters, Joseph Peters, Grace Peters, Courtney Webster Peters, Jennie Peters and Robert J. Peters, part of the defendants in the above named proceedings, having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk in Macon county, notice is hereby given to the said Frianna M. Hays, Elida Barnes, Costie Slaback, Alice Roth, Tim Murrin Slaback, Elizabeth Slaback, William Slaback, Melville Slaback, Wilson Maddox, Ellen Munk, Nathan S. Vance, Florence Peters, Joseph Peters, Grace Peters, Courtney Webster Peters, Jennie Peters and Robert J. Peters, that the complainants filed their bill in the said court on the 28th day of November, 1898, that summons issue out of the said court against defendants returnable to the first day of the next January term of said court as is by law required. Now unless you, the said Frianna M. Hays, Elida Barnes Costie Slaback, Alice Roth, Tim Murrin Slaback, Elizabeth Slaback, William Slaback, Melville Slaback, Wilson Maddox, Ellen Munk, Nathan S. Vance, Florence Peters, Joseph Peters, Grace Peters, Courtney Webster Peters, Jennie Peters and Robert J. Peters, shall personally appear before the circuit court of Macon county on the first day of the next term thereof to be held in Decatur in the said county on the ninth day of January, A. D 1899, to plead, answer or demur to the said complaint's bill the same in the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed and decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.
D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
W. B. Tyler, Sol. for Complainant.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

State of Illinois, Macon County ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, to the January Term, A. D. 1899.

Stanley Tucker, administrator, et al., vs. Sarah Rider et al. In Chancery.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Sallie Ann Maden, Albert Maden, John Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden Elijah Maden Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller, Sarah F. Jones Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G Dugger, Louisa Richardson, the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of Alfred Maden, deceased the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of William Maden, deceased part of the defendants in the above named proceedings, having been filed in the office of the circuit court in Macon county, notice is hereby given to the said Sallie Ann Maden Albert Maden, John Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller, Sarah F. Jones, Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, Louisa Richardson, the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of Alfred Maden, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of William Maden, deceased, that the complainants filed their bill in the said court on the 24th day of September, A. D. 1898, that summons issue out of the said court against the defendants, returnable to the first day of the next January term of said court, as is by law required. Now unless you the said Sallie Ann Maden, Albert Maden, John Maden, James Maden, Elias Maden, Ben Mason Maden, Ben Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Johnnie Johnson, Martha Lawrence, George Maden, Elijah Maden, Riley Maden, Sr., Jane Reed Tuller, Sarah F. Jones, Can Jones, Ezekiel Jones, James G. Dugger, Louisa Richardson, the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of Alfred Maden deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees or legatees of William Maden, deceased, shall personally be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held in Decatur, in the said county, on the 9th day of January, 1899, to plead, answer or demur to the complainant's bill, the same in the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed and decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.
D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
W. B. Tyler, Complainant's Solicitor.

Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss In the
MACON COUNTY } Circuit Court,

To the January Term, A. D. 1899.

R. Wallace Hunt vs. Henry Schoolcraft Frances J. Schoolcraft, Andrew Heminger, alias a Heming, Malinda Hundley Charles E. Hundley and I. A. Buckingham.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Henry Schoolcraft and Frances J. Schoolcraft, two of the defendants in the above cause having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk of Macon county, Illinois notice is hereby given to you, the said Henry Schoolcraft and Frances J. Schoolcraft, that the complainant in the above cause has filed his petition in said court on the 1th day of November, 1898, that summons issued out of the said court against the defendants returnable on the first day of the next January term of said court as by law required.

Now, unless you, the said Henry Schoolcraft and Frances J. Schoolcraft shall personally be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the court house in Decatur, Illinois, on the second Monday of January, 1899, and plead, answer or demur to said complainant's petition or the same and the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed and decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.
DAVID L. FOSTER,
Circuit Clerk of Macon County, Ills.
John A. Brown, Sol. for Complainant.
nov 19-30d

Executor's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the last will and testament of Jackson Wilkinson, deceased, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, I will on

Thursday, Dec. 15, 1898,

at two o'clock in the afternoon sell at public auction at the north door of the court house in Decatur, the tracts of land situated in Friend's Creek Township, Macon County, Illinois, being land belonging to the estate of Jackson Wilkinson, deceased, described as follows:

Tract No. 1.
Being the home farm of said estate situated two miles east and one-half miles north of Argenta, in Macon county, now occupied by Alva Fisk, under cultivation, well fenced, well tiled, has good two story house of ten rooms pantry, closets and summer kitchen, good cellar, barn 40x90 ft., corn cribs, wagon shed, granaries, three wells, cistern and splendid bearing orchard.

Description.—23 acres off the south side of the S. W. ¼ of the N. E. ¼ of sec. 30; also lots 15, 16, 17, 18, in the E ½ of Sec. 30, and lot 19 in the E. ½ of Sec. 30, and W. ½ of Sec. 29, as shown by plat and report of commissioners in the partition of the estate of John Long, deceased, in the suit of Peter Long et al vs. Jacob Long at the July term, 1862, of the circuit court of said county, containing 141.03 acres.

Tract No. 2.
Situated 1½ miles east of Argenta.

Description.—W. ½ of lots 4 and lots 23 and 29 in the W. ½ of the S. E. ¼ and the E ½ of the S. E. ¼ of Sec. 30 except 1¼ acres in the S. E. corner of said lot 29 (used for school purposes) as shown by said plat and report of said commissioners in the said partition of the estate of the said John Long, deceased, containing 1?2 acres. Upon this tract is a never failing spring of water.

Tract No. 3.
Situated 3 miles east of Argenta, now occupied by John Faris, under cultivation, has good 1½ story house, of 5 rooms, cellar; out buildings and orchard.

Description—Lots 30, 31, 32, and 33 in the E. ½ of the S. E. ¼ of Sec. 30, as shown by said plat and report of commissioners in said partition of the estate of the said John Long, deceased, containing 44 94-100 acres.

Said tracts of land all situated in township 18 N. Range 4 E. of 3d P. M. in Macon county, Illinois, and will be sold separately.

TERMS OF SALE.

Ten per cent of the purchase price payable on date of sale, Forty per cent payable on or before March 1st, 1899; and Twenty-five per cent payable in one year, and Twenty-five per cent payable in two years from date of sale. Said ten per cent to be forfeited on noncompliance with terms of purchase, deed to be delivered upon receipt of said Forty per cent payment and the two last deferred payments to be secured by Mortgage on the premises sold and notes to bear interest at 6 per cent per annum until Paid.

Possession given March 1st, 1899. Persons desiring to purchase a good farm are invited to examine these lands and attend this sale.

WARREN A. WILKINSON,
Sole surviving Executor of the last will and testament of Jackson Wilkinson, deceased.
Bethany, Ill., Oct. 29, 1898.
nov 6-dtd

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D., 1899.

Charles P. Thatcher, vs William F. McGee, Layuna McGee, (his wife); John E. Carlson, Nellie Carlson, (his wife); J. G. Hamilton and Mrs J. G. Hamilton, (his wife); her Christian name being unknown to said complainant.

Affidavit of the non-residence of J. G. Hamilton and Mrs. J. G. Hamilton, his wife, part of the defendants in the above named proceedings, having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk in said Macon County, notice is hereby given to the said J. G. Hamilton and Mrs. J. G. Hamilton, his wife her christian name being unknown, that the complainant in the above entitled cause filed his bill of foreclosure in the said court on the 30th day of November, A. D. 1898; that summons issued out of said court against defendants returnable to the first day of the next January term of said court as is by law required.

Now unless you, the said J. G. Hamilton and Mrs. J. G. Hamilton, his wife, her christian name being unknown shall personally appear before the circuit court of Macon county on the first day of the next term thereof to be held in Decatur, in the said county, on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1899, to plead, answer or demur to the said complainant's bill the same in the matters and things therein charged and stated the same will be taken as confessed and decree entered against you according to prayer of said bill.
D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Ewing & Baldwin, Solicitors for the Complainant. dec 6-d1w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court of said county, to the January Term, A. D. 1899.

Mary E. Bryant, vs. John G. Bryant, divorce.

Affidavit of the non-residence of John G. Bryant, the defendant in the above entitled cause, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county, notice is hereby given to the said John G. Bryant, that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which suit is now pending; that a summons issued thereupon out of the said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next January term of the said court to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, in the said county of Macon, on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1899. Unless you, the said John G. Bryant, shall be and appear on the first day of the said term of the said court and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint the same will be taken as confessed and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated this 6th day of December, A. D 1898.
D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Redmon & Hogan, Solicitors for Complainant.
dec 6-14w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1899.

Anna M. Brust, vs. William Brust—In Divorce.

Affidavit of the non-residence of the defendant in said cause, having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk of the said county, notice is hereby given to you, the said William Brust, that unless you shall be and appear at the next term of said court on the first day thereof, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1899, and plead, answer, or demur to the bill of complaint now on file in said cause, said bill and the matters therein alleged will be held confessed as true and a decree rendered accordingly.
D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.
W. H. Black, Solicitor for Complainant.
dec 5-d30t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

State of Illinois, Macon County, ss.

In the Circuit Court.

Richard J. Ellis, complainant, vs. Mary E Ellis, et al, defendant—In Chancery, No. 16 725

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on Tuesday, the 27th day of December at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: The north half of the east half of the south-east quarter of section 12, township 15, north, range 2 east of the 3rd Principal Meridian, in Macon county, Illinois.

Terms of Sale: One half cash in hand and one half in 12 months from date. The deferred payment to be secured by a mortgage on the premises sold and to bear 6 per cent per annum.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 5th day of December A. D. 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
J. M. Lee, Complainant's Solicitor.
dec 5-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

State of Illinois, County of Macon, ss.

In the Circuit Court of said county, to the January term, A. D. 1899.

Elmore C. Hunter vs. Mattie C. Hunter—Divorce.

Affidavit that Mattie C. Hunter, the above named defendant, is not a resident of the state of Illinois, having been filed in the office of the circuit clerk of said Macon county, you, Mattie C. Hunter, the above named defendant, are hereby notified that the complainant above named heretofore filed his bill in said cause in this court, that a summons thereupon issued out of the said court against you returnable to the first day of the next January term, A. D. 1899, of the said circuit court, to be held at the court house in the said city of Decatur, in said county, on the ninth day of January, 1899, and that the said cause is still pending.

Now unless you, the said Mattie C. Hunter, defendant, shall be and appear before the said court on the first day of the said term and plead, answer or demur to the bill the same and the matters therein will be taken for confessed and a decree entered against you accordingly.
DAVID L. FOSTER,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.
Shelley Bros. & Gibson, Complainants' Solicitors. dec 9-d4w

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WANTED—A baker. Apply to FRANK HEMPEL, Moweaqua, Ill. Call up by new telephone at once. dec 12-d6*

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MISCELLANEOUS.

STRAYED.—From 945 West Macon Street. A large gray mare, will weigh 1200 or 1300 lbs. Recently shod, had head halter on. Return to DIMOCK'S feed barn and receive reward. dec 12-d1w

BICYCLE REPAIRING at reasonable prices Punctures repaired for 25c. J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square. Aug 6-dtf

NASHVILLE, Ill., Sept. 9, 1891.
Office of Rev. J. C. Orr, pastor M. E. Church.
Gentlemen:
Enclosed find draft for $5. Please send by return mail $5 worth of Corrodante Capsules. The medicine you have been sending the last three times is for an old lady who has been afflicted with Rheumatism for a number of years. She is so much improved that she can do her work, and last Sunday walked four squares to church, a thing she has not been able to do for a year. Present address Lawrenceville, Ill.
Yours truly, J. C. Orr.

1899 YEAR BANDS, Type Dates, Brass Wheel Dates, Ink Pads, Supplies and Repairs. The Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, J. M. MYERS, Prop., 301 South Church street, Decatur, Ill. New Phone 117. Dec 7-d1m

PERSONS, desiring to bid on the frescoing of the Baptist Church will view the amount of their bid and the designs at the office of Bunn & Park, 152 East Prairie street, by December 1th, 1898. E. PARK, for the committee.—dec 13 d-1w

VIOLIN MUSIC.—Instruction on the violin. Apply to Miss Jeanette Powers, 357 North Edward street, or Powers' Shoe Store. July 4-dtf

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Aug. 6-d&wtf

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss In the County
MACON COUNTY, Court.

DeWitt C. Shockley, complainant. vs. Clara E. Walker et al, defendants—in Chancery. No. 16,944.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, December 14, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot 4 in block 3 in Kaufman's Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of November A. D. 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Johns & Housum, Complainant's Solicitors.
Nov. 21-dtd

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ATTORNEY AT LAW.
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Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

Wabash Line

[Corrected to Nov. 13, 1898.]

TO CHICAGO.

No. 12—Daily	1:10 a m
No. 16 Daily except Sunday	9:20 a m
No. 14—Daily	11:42 a m

TO ST. LOUIS.

No. 5—East Mail, Daily	12:13 a m
No. 3—Daily	3:40 a m
No. 9—St. Louis Accomm., Daily	7:10 a m
No. 1—Continental Limited, Daily	4:05 p m
No. 21—St. Louis Express, ex. Sun	4:12 p m
No. 7—Kansas City Ex., Daily	7:20 p m

TO TOLEDO AND BUFFALO.

No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily	5:28 a m
No 16—Danville Accom, Daily	9:20 a m
No. 21—Except Sunday	11:00 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily	11:37 a m
No. 10—Lafayette Accom., ex. Sun	4:35 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited, Daily	11:51 p m

TO QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 3—K. C. Express, Daily	3:50 a m
No. 19—Clayton Accom., Daily	7:20 a m
No. 9—Daily, ex. Sun	11:00 a m
No. 1—Daily	4:15 p m
No. 17—To Springfield, Daily	7:40 p m

FROM CHICAGO.

No 13—Daily	3:25 a m
No. 11—Limited Daily	3:54 p m
No. 17—Daily, except Sunday	7:35 p m

FROM ST. LOUIS.

No. 12—Night Express, Daily	1:00 a m
No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily	5:28 a m
No. 24—Daily, except Sunday	10:58 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily	11:34 a m
No. 10—St. Louis Accom., Daily	9:10 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited Daily	11:44 p m

FROM TOLEDO.

No. 5—Fast Mail, Daily	12:10 a m
No. 3—Limited, Daily	3:15 a m
No. 21—Except Sunday	3.45 p m
No. 1—Continental Limited, Daily	1:00 p m
No. 7—St. Louis Through Ex., Daily	7:17 p m

FROM QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 10—From Springfield, Daily	9:15 a m
No. 4—Express, Daily	10 35 a m
No. 10—From Springfield, ex. Sun	4 30 p m
No. 20—From Clayton Daily	6:50 p m
No. 2—From Kansas City, Daily	11:05 p m

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RY.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1....10:35 a. m.	A No. 2....2:50 p. m
D No. 3....10:10 p. m.	A No. 4....6:25 a. m
A No. 11....2:30 p. m.	S No. 36....7:10 a. m
S No. 40....11:10 a. m.	S No. 40....3:10 p. m
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2....3:00 p. m.	A No. 1....10:45 a. m.
A No. 4....6:35 a. m.	D No. 3....10:20 p. m.
S No. 36....7:20 a. m.	A No. 11....3:05 p. m.
A No. 10....10:35 a. m.	S No. 40....11:30 a. m.
S No. 40....3:30 p. m.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Vandalia Line.

In effect ... 1?, 1898.

DEPARTS EAST.

No. 84—Freight, ex. Sunday	6:25 a m
No. 12—Except Sunday	7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday	8:25 p m

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday	10:45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday	5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday	7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday	7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight, ex. Sunday	7:30 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday	10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex. Sunday	8:20 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday	4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday	9:30 p m

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ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass....†2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass....*10:55 p m
No. 3 Pass....*:45 a m	No. 2 Pass....†11:00 a m
" 7....10:00 a m	" 10....4:15 p m
" 9....5.00 p m	" 8....10:00 a m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to October 10, 1898.

No 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman	* 1:32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman	* 3:5? p. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign	* 5:45 a. m.
No. 104 Main Line North	* 11:00 a. m.
No. 128 Main Line North	† 5 46 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves	† ?:1? p. m.
No. 19 Freight, stop	† ?:? p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana	* 1:32 a. m.
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana	* ?:? p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Centralia	†9:22 a. m.
No. 1?3 Main Line South to Cairo	* 4:15 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South	† 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives	* 10: 5 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives	† 11 5 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

The I., D. & W. railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to C. A. Pollock Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

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The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

For the Christmas and New Year's holidays tickets will be sold at the usual low rates on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, and Jan. 1 and 2. All tickets good returning till Jan. 4.

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California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges each direction, on sale daily.

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The Vandalia Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Homeseekers' excursions to principal points in the South, Southwest, North and Northwest, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

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Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Snow fell to the depth of two inches at Assumption and the surrounding country Monday evening and night. There was no fall at Macon or Mowequa, the storm seeming to confine itself to the vicinity of Assumption.

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—1-dtf

Fine candies at Glessner's, 148 East Prairie.

Roast Pig for Christmas at the Royal Market.—12-dtf

At the First M. E. church something entirely new will be given in the exercises, in which the children and elders play a prominent part. Christmas cantatas will be given at the United Brethren church and at the Christian tabernacle and all of the churches will celebrate the day either on Saturday, Sunday or Monday evenings.

Do you want plastering done? If so telephone 1462, old 'phone. Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren.—5-dtf

Preparations for the annual Christmas festivities and exercises in the church and Sunday schools have begun. The day is to be marked with an unusual activity and beauty of service. Coming as it does on Sunday a new significance is given to it and because of the suspension of business on Monday more time may be given to the exercises by the elder people than is possible when the anniversary occurs on another day of the week, when the days preceding and following must be devoted to business.

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I was afflicted with catarrh; could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it.—Marcus G. Shantz, Rahway, N. J.

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Going Home to Spend Christmas.

Cheap rates via the P. D. and E Ry. during the holidays. Confer freely with ticket agent as to particulars, or correspond with A. G. Palmer, G. P. A, P. D. and E. Ry., Evansville, Ind. —2-28d

A Fresh Barrel

Of Blue Points, the finest flavored oyster in the world, just received at The Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Tel. 344.—13-d3t

A Chance to Visit Your Friends.

Holiday excursions via the P. D. and E. Ry. at cheap rates. Your ticket agent will tell you all about it. See him and get particulars.—2-28d

Holiday Rates Via I. C. R. R.

For Christmas and New Year holidays the Illinois Central will sell tickets within a distance of 200 miles at rate of one and one-third fare round trip. Good going December 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1898, and January 1 and 2, 1899. Good returning until and including January 4, 1899. For tickets call at city office or depot.—3-d10t

Dewey vs Amateurs.

The Dewey and Amateur bowling clubs will play a match game next Saturday evening at the Duke alley on North Water street. The game was postponed from Friday night.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C:

C. F. Balser, Springfield, attachment for bicycles; C. P. Dorpols, Berwyn, ornamenting glass; W. A. Kilmer, Des Plaines, mesh wire fence fabric; M. A. Leiter, Sadorus, wagon box clamp; L. Poole, Belvidere, molding machine; M. Sattley, Spingfield, wheel plow; J. L. Scott, Matinsburg, disk cultivator; A. Snell, Tice, cutting table for plastic material; F. J. Stallings, Effingham, buggy top supporter; W. Wewers, Quincy, anticreosoting device; N. B. Wilder, Prophetstown, baling press. For copy of any of the above patents send 10c in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

There is a Class of People

who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

UNPATRIOTIC.

The Utterance of Rev. M. S. Newcomer So Characterized.

Dr. T. B. Spalding Expresses a Well-Deserved Rebuke for an Unwarranted Attack on the Church and Government.

Editor Republican:—I have just read with feelings of commiseration an artice in the Sunday morning Review from a Rev. Mr. Newcomer, who claims to be the mouthpiece of the Almighty and the vicegerent of Jesus Christ, and, as such, feels inspired to offer the actual opinion of Jehovah concerning the Congress of the United States, the Christian church, the president and the American people. It is therein declared that "the American Congress is a body of moral lopers"; that President McKinley is not overly clean, and that "the blood of the boys killed in the late war with Spain, lies at the threshold of the sanctuary." He depreciates the spirit of patriotism in the American people; declares it to be "a military mania all for glory and inspired by ambition, avarice and greed"; that the government is "reeking and festering in corruption," and that, respecting the prosecution of the war, he declares that "when its secret history is written it will bring a blush to every self-respecting American." Of course, between all these choice selections of direful denunciations there is much inelegant ribaldry and irrelevant rubbish about "smiting sin in high places," etc., but stripped of all awkward expression and ambiguity and getting at its essence, I have aimed to honestly glean and cogently present in respectable garb his whole diatribe of indecent and disloyal denunciation of the president, the Congress and the Christian people of this country. Mr. Editor, if Ingersoll or any other brainy, bold and honest infidel had said that "the Congress of the United States is a body of moral lepers, and that the Christians of this country are responsible for it," there would be the strongest kind of suspicion that he was lying like the devil. But we may safely state that there is not an infidel in America, of culture, of candor and broad mental calibre, who would dare to hazard his reputation by such an infamous assertion. He would soil the spot on which he stood. It is an offense to any noble-minded American, who has arrived at the age of reason and self-respect, and it should never be allowed to be heard by the youth, lest it defile the holy impulse of patriotism in the soul of the little girls and boys. If a man is self evidently shallow, conceited, egotistical and imbecile, if dyspeptic, poverty-stricken in intellect and hopelessly pessimistic, why in the name of God and the Christian religion will he impose such pernicious principles upon the people from the pulpit? The truth is God never ornamented this world with a nation of people so powerful and pure in private and public life as the people of these United States. We overawe and lead the world in arts and arms, in invention, in education, in general intelligence, in culture and Christian civilization and in all those resulting graces of brotherly love, humanity and charity that glorify and elevate the human race. Our example has modified every monarchy and introduced the leaven of "Liberty and Law" into every government on earth. But a few pulpit pessimists say that we "should not have crushed the power and appropriated the colonies of Spain." In the name of liberty why? That nation came over to our very door and captured 56 of our seamen in the Virginius and murdered them all; she blew up one of our battleships and murdered 263 more of the flower of our sailors, and continually insulted this nation, while we were spending millions in maintaining an honest neutrality. She corralled and crowded together in pestilential places, and starved and murdered the poor defenseless women and children and old men without mercy, and decreed and sought to execute and depopulate the whole colony of Cuba. Her warfare was robbery, rapine and cold blooded murder, and the whole world stood speechless and amazed at our moderation. We bore every possible insult until longer forbearance became an ignominy, and then the American nation arose in her righteous wrath and crushed the hideous monster. Incidentally we planted our flag in the Orient, and broke the savage sway of Spain in the fair Philippine Islands. Here is a realm as rich as ancient Egypt, with a population four times as large as this government in the days of Washington and Franklin. The Spaniards have drawn $18,000,000 annually from those people and only oppressed and wronged them in return. They have covered the land with superstitions, darkness and crime, and kept the light of religious freedom out of these colonies, cruelly and completely. But now that these islands are ours and 8,000,000 people are asking that they may be made partakers in all that God has given us, why should any civilized man, and especially why should any man calling himself a Christian minister, deny to them the blessings of the highest Christian civilization? Does the Reverend Mr. Newcomer actually comprehend the grand march of progress and providence? Here is a vast field opened at last for missionary enterprise and protected by the sublime power that "looketh upon the earth and it trembleth." Would Mr. Newcomer deny to these people "the Lamp of Life?" Would he, as a Christian minister, advise that the door be shut against these people and that they be consigned again to the lust and lash and the cruel, dark and devilish sovereignty of Spain? Certainly that is the sense, or nonsense, of his cynical sophistry. He says it will cost us heavily in money to establish and maintain the federal authority in the Philippine Islands. Now, while that argument is unworthy when balanced with the destiny of a down trodden race, yet if Spain has derived $18,000,000 annually from the Philippines, America with her energy and vigor and better government can make that archipelago the garden of the globe and while doubling that revenue will yet bless and prosper that people beyond the boldest flight of Oriental fancy. The reverend gentleman indulges his doubts that it was ever the purpose of the president to make Cuba free and assures us that "she is not yet free, but is overrun by political sharks."

Mr. Editor, it was one of the wisest sayings of old General Ben Butler that "idiots and children should never be shown anything until it is finished." That Cuba is chaotic just now no one will deny. Turn the devil and all his minions loose upon any people for three years and that society will not soon resemble a Sunday school, but every broad and liberal minded American sees and rejoices in the prompt and efficient efforts that are now in operation for the cleaning up of Cuba and its redemption to righteous rule and this sublime purpose of the president is just as sure to follow as that heaven was purified and pacified after the expulsion of satan.

Without patriotism and sympathy with our country it is impossible to comprehend the marvelous work this nation has wrought within the last six months. Every true American is prouder of his country than ever before, by reason of her humanity, sublime courage and peerless conquests. Instead of petty captious criticism every earnest patriot and every Christian teacher should be up and doing with his glad face turned to the rising sun, singing the grand old doxology with a new meaning. I pity the Christian that sits whining amid the blaze of glory through which every American patriot can now behold the smiling face of God. Let him rather see and seize the grandest opportunity this world has ever presented for evangelizing these dark, despotic islands of the oceans. I believe this nation, under God, is now confronted with a grand destiny. Should we prove worthy of the work God will go with us, if we falter and fail, we shall merit and receive the malediction of mankind.

And now Mr. Newcomer, let me suggest that, as a patriot and Christian, your utterances place you in "the seat of the scornful" and in the wrong pew. You evince to every public spirited man that you are not in sympathy with the best tendencies of the age, nor with the grand progressive, onward and upward march of the Anlgo-Saxon race. You are mistaken if you suppose for one moment that the president or any party or even the American people premeditated and willed to do this work. It is destiny! Determined and directed by that God who has been our guide since the landing of the Pilgrim fathers; and surely every spiritual minded man should see the signal fitness in our selection for this wonderful work and exclaim from his soul:

"Great God of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forgot, lest we forgot."

For these reasons and not for military glory nor for avarice nor greed are we expansionists. In the highest and purest and holiest sense, we seek to succor and save humanity. I believe that God Almighty has managed this whole movement from the beginning and that He will be with us to the end, and that He has impressed the nations to "be still and behold the salvation of God."

"Then sail thou on, oh ship of state,
Sail on, oh union, strong and great!
Humanity with holy prayers,
With widows wails and orphans tears,
Are hanging breathless on thy fate."

DR. T. B. SPAULDING.

At the Poor Farm.

Steward Burley in his quarterly report to the board of supervisors shows that nine inmates have been received, three discharged and now on hand 47. Many hogs have been lost by the cholera but there are now on hand 22 head and also 46 head of cattle. Twenty acres are sown in wheat. Mr. Burley states that the county property is in as good condition as when he took charge.

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vest of 136 West Cerro Gordo street on Monday, December 12, a son.

He is greatest whose strength carries up the most hearts by the attraction of his own.—Roux.

COUNTY OFFICERS

Reports Submitted to the Board of Supervisors.

FIGURES WERE INTERESTING

Showing the Amount of Money Earned, Received and Expended by Treasurer, Clerk, Sheriff, Superintendent and Others.

The reports of the various county officers which were submitted to the members of the board of supervisors Tuesday afternoon and referred to the appropriate committees, contain figures which are interesting. A summary of the reports is given below.

COUNTY TREASURER.

Charles H. Patterson, the retiring county treasurer, reported the following: Earnings for year ending November 30, 1898, $15,337.26; expenditures including salary and clerk hire, $2518; balance turned into county treasury, $2819.26. During the past four years the surplus earnings paid into the treasury by the county treasurer has been $10,257.42, an excess over any former similar term of more than $3200. The condition of the county fund is as follows: Balance in treasury December 1, 1898, $23,226.41; received from all sources during year, $75,283.75; total receipts, $98,510.16; balance, November 30, 1898, $27,389.13.

The balance in the various funds are as follows: Institute fund, $39.19; county trust fund, $2284.50; court house bond fund, $2059.91.

Mr. Patterson in his report mentions the fact that the expenses of the county have been cut down in spite of the fact that the population has increased, and congratulates the members of the board for their good management. He states that in 1899 the last of the registered bond debt of Macon county will be paid and suggests that at the proper time the board appoint a person or persons to compare the records of Macon county in reference thereto, with the records in the state auditor's office and to receive the cancelled bonds and coupons from the state officers. Mr. Patterson in closing his report states that his sole ambition has been to serve the county in as conscientious, accurate and economical a manner as would be required of an employe of a private business firm. He thanks the members for their courtesy and extends to them his wishes for their well being, in view of the fact that it is his last official report to the board.

CIRCUIT CLERK.

The report of D. L. Foster, circuit clerk, shows the following figures for the past half year: Earnings, $3192.65, receipts, $3170.330. The expenditures were: Clerk hire, $1710; miscellaneous, $16.30; clerk's salary for half year, $800; balance to be paid to treasurer, $644.

COUNTY CLERK.

J. M. Dodd county clerk, reported as follows for the past half year: Earnings, $6185.73; total expenditures, $3103.05; earnings in excess of expenditures, $3082.68. Total receipts, including amount due from half year ending May 31, 1898, $7336.02; amount to be paid treasurer, $4252.97.

SHERIFF.

The report of J. P. Nicholson, the retiring sheriff, was as follows for the half year: Earnings, $2295.02; total cash receipts, $1092.66; balance to be paid to treasurer, $292.66.

SUPERINTENDENT.

John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools, submitted his annual and also his quarterly financial reports, which showed the balance on hand in the different funds to be as follows: Institute fund, $39.19, principal fund, $535.59; disbursement fund, $484.

OVERSEER.

J. S. McClelland, overseer of the poor, reported the following expenditures for the past quarter: Provisions, $1159; coal, $231.46; shoes, $11; burial expenses, $56; board and lodging, $15.50, dry goods, $3.75, transportation, $53.18; total, $1559.89.

Musical Culture Club

The Musical Culture club will hold the regular meeting at the Woman's club rooms on Friday morning at 10 o'clock. This is the date for the regular open meeting, but the program which was to have been given on the day of the Crosby lecture will be substituted instead. Misses Montgomery, Smick, Durfee and Bartholomew are on for the musical number and Miss Lena Ullrich for the literary number.

Dunkard Meetings.

The Dunkards are holding meetings every night this week in the Gobhart hall. Song service at 7:10 and preaching at 7:30. Elder Menno Stauffer of Mansfield is conducting the services.

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TWENTY-SEVENTH

GEN. WOOD PUTS END TO A FIGH

Spanish Duels Cannot Kept Up in Cuba.

WHILE UNCLE SAM'S ON GUA

Two Sanguinary Editors at Santi Put Under Close Guard at Thei Homes — Spain's Trade Rights Not Special.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. General Wood, military governo the department of Santiago, stopp duel last evening that had been ranged between Senor Trujillo, e of El Porvenir, and Senor Col editor of Cuba Libre.

An article recently appeared Independencia abusing Senor Truj charging him with being a "swi and accusing him of numerous cri Trujillo attributed its authorsh Colono and sent the latter a challe Colono denied the authorship, bu cepted the challenge.

Under the conditions agreed the duel was to be fought on San Kill. The contestants were to sixshooters, beginning at 20 paces walking toward each other, firin will. If neither should be injure the other's six shots the antage were to reload and start again.

Chief of Gendarmerie Valient ported the matter to General W who promptly arrested both me confined them in their own h under guard.

NO SPECIAL FAVORS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Sp shipping is not to enjoy prefere treatment in the Cuban and Rican trade under the terms o peace treaty. Something of nature may be brought about in negotiations between the U States and Spain as part of the p for the restoration of commerci lations, but so far it has not bee vided for, although the Spanish missioners made a special reques the privilege should be accorded

The text of the treaty has no received at the department of The document is so long that t pense of cabling it textually wo very great and would not be war in view of the fact that the ge ment already possesses a suffic accurate outline of the articles.

The American commissioner expected to sail Saturday, whic bring them to their homes by C mas. They will bring the treaty them, and it is believed that the ment will not be published be is delivered to the departme state, notwithstanding the Mad timation that it is to be printe red book.

MATTIAS CAUG

Identification of the Murderer o at Spokane, Wash.

SPOKANE, WASH., Dec. now seems certain that Fred the prisoner held here on a charge of burglary and highw bery, and Otto Mattias, the murderer of H. W. Wall of Sta Ill., are one and the same pers Werngren of Thiel's detective arrived here from St. Louis an visiting the prisoner in his identified him as the alleged mu Gemmrig and Stauffer, of the chants' Police Agency, who ca Wood in the act of committing lary, shadowed him for two before his arrest, suspecting being the fugitive murderer, bu tated about arresting him on ous a charge before securing ad proof of his identification prisoner evidently realizes his ous position, for after consultin an attorney he came out with fession that he was guilty